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FORTY MEN DIE IN STORM

Blizzard Overtakes Nova Scotia Fishermen While Out at Sea

WEATHER CHANGES WITHOUT WARNING

Eight Boats With Crews Numbering Forty Are Now Missing

HALIFAX, Jan. 5.—A sudden blizzard that swept down from the north yesterday morning carried out to sea twenty fishing boats belonging to Can-so, Whitehead and Dover, and tonight after thirty hours' search, eight boats with between forty and fifty men are missing. Hope that any of these men are now alive has been almost wholly abandoned.

During all this time the thermometer has been hovering around zero, and last night the poor fellows out in open boats on the icy sea had to endure the rigors of a temperature from six to eight degrees below zero. The blizzard was fearful in its severity and fierceness. Rough and rugged as are the hardy fishermen who had to face it, not one of them still on the sea could long survive it, and death would soon become welcome.

A fleet of government and other steamships have been searching all day and tonight when darkness settled down eight boats were not accounted for.

The stricken villages are in despair. Wives and children hardly dare hope even again to see husbands and fathers.

The weather today has almost been terrible to men exposed to it as the night before. Driven before a heavy northwesterly wind, thick snow made rescue work more difficult and increased the terrible plight of the storm's victims, if they still live.

Yesterday morning opened with fair weather, and a fleet of twenty-five boats, manned by one hundred men put for Haddock. Suddenly it changed, and so swiftly that it was next to impossible for all to get back in the teeth of the gale. Of the twenty-five boats all but eight were able to beat their way back or find refuge in other ports or hold out till picked up today. But eight of them are gone, and more than forty men are almost certainly either frozen to death in drifting boats, or drowned from craft capsized or foundered. Not only on the sea but along the coast the unavailing search has been continued, and anxious watchers in the stricken homes are driven to conclude that the breadwinners have gone down with the boats or perished from exposure.

No disaster since the great August gale of 1873 has anywhere approached this appalling catastrophe in the story of fishing in the Can-so district.

The search for the missing men began last night, and has been kept up continuously ever since. The Dominion government was asked for help, and promptly ordered out the steamer Cabot, which was lying in Isaac's Harbor. The Douglas H. Thomas was sent from Sydney and the steam trawler, Number 33 joined in the search. The government steamer Aberdeen was ordered to the fishing grounds and the Woburn, which sailed from North Sydney this evening, was directed to keep a sharp lookout. All their efforts so far have been in vain except that the steam trawler found one boat badly iceed and took it in tow. Last night the trawler rescued Capt. Belmont's boat.

Whitehead is mourning the loss of nineteen men and the death roll of Dover stands at twenty-two.

Fire in Revelstoke Hotel.

REVELSTOKE, Jan. 5.—A threatening fire originated here last evening in the dining department of the Union Hotel, proprietor J. Laughton. Prompt action of No. 2 fire brigade prevented the spread of the flames. The loss is about \$300.

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TO ADDRESS THE CANADIAN CLUB

William Mackenzie, president of the C. N. R., will be the guest of the local Canadian Club at luncheon in the Broad street hall at 1 p. m. today.

Vancouver's Death Rate.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 5.—One person out of 92 of the city population died in 1909. One in ten of these deaths was from tuberculosis.

Manchurian Railways.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 5.—The Russian foreign office has received a memorandum from the United States government, proposing as a solution for the Manchurian problem the neutralization of the railroads in Manchuria by their sale to an international syndicate. The United States invited Russian participation in such a scheme. The supervision of the railroads would be placed thereby in the hands of the powers responsible for the financial arrangements who would see that the lines were conducted on a purely business basis and not used for political or strategic purposes.

Peers Warmly Heckled.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—Two phases of the election are now claiming attention: First, the disorderly interruptions to which many of the Conservative meetings and almost all of those addressed by peers are subjected, so that it is practically impossible for any Unionist peer to secure a hearing; and secondly, the realization by the peers themselves and by the Liberal press of the necessity of the House of Lords advocating its own reform, as the only means of meeting the storm of protest aroused by the peers' action on the budget. The reform of the House of Lords has been a constant subject of discussion, and was last night the most interesting point of the speech of Lord Lansdowne at Liverpool. All of the great leaders were again speaking in various parts of the country last night. Meetings were addressed in different sections of London by Baron Ashbourne, Lord Desborough and the Right Hon. Alfred Lyttelton, but the disorder was marked at each of these. Mr. Lyttelton was obliged hurriedly to end his speech, while Lord Desborough was met with shouts of "We want the budget."

GROWING DEMAND FOR PROPERTY

Investors Purchase Lots for Building Purposes—Yesterday's Sales

An ever-expanding inquiry in the nature of the property sought, is the feature of the local realty market. Although during the past few days there have been no sales of any great magnitude, the demand continues as great as at any time since the beginning of December. Many pieces of desirable property in the heart of the business area are under option, Government, Douglas, Yates, Fort, Broughton and Johnson street property being in demand. Within the past few days the attention of investors has been turning to the residential area, and nearly all the agents report a continuous inquiry for lots for building purposes. The present month is likely to see a large amount of this class of property change hands, and contractors are anticipating record building operations during the coming spring.

Yesterday the three-storey building on Johnson street, occupied by the old Colonial Metropolitan hotel, the E. C. Victor, and the store of Greenfelder, jeweller, passed through the market for \$28,000. A few weeks ago the same piece of property was sold by James Phair for \$23,000, illustrating that Johnson street, as well as the other central thoroughfares of the city, is enjoying the enhancement of values which is taking place.

The property on Government street immediately adjoining the Bank of Montreal, has been purchased by that institution for \$24,000. This site, on which stands the offices of the E. C. Victor and Investment company, has a frontage of 16 feet on Government street.

Vancouver Buyers

T. P. McConnell sold a house and lot on Pembroke street to a Victoria buyer, a lot on Yates street to a Vancouver buyer, and a house and lot on Victoria street to a Vancouver buyer. Pemberton & Son made a small sale of a lot on the James Bay waterfront to a Victoria buyer.

Day & Boggs sold a lot on Hillside avenue to a Victoria buyer and a lot in the vicinity of Cedar Hill to a Victoria buyer. This firm has had offers for several inland properties but did not complete sales.

Cross & Co. sold three lots in Oak Bay on Wilnot Place, off Oak Bay avenue, one being taken by a Winnipeg buyer, and one by a Victoria buyer.

Grant and Lineham yesterday sold two lots on Bay street, and one on Chatham street.

The Island Investment company reports the sale of two lots on Blanchard street for \$2,500 and a lot on Queens avenue for \$225.

A house and lot on Pandora avenue between Vancouver and Cook streets has just changed hands for \$5,500.

A house and lot on Bellot street has been sold for \$4,400.

The house owned by C. Klaus, at 1025 Park Boulevard, was purchased yesterday by auction by Frank LeRoy for a sum of \$4,000.

Dr. Frank Hall yesterday received an offer of \$42,000 for Burleigh from two eastern medical men. They seek to acquire it for the purpose of establishing a sanatorium for the treatment of tuberculosis in all its forms.

TO CONCLUDE AGREEMENT

President Mackenzie of Canadian Northern Railway Here to Meet Government

VIEWS VICTORIA, AND THE DISTRICT

Looks Into Plans for Harbor Improvement—D. D. Mann to Arrive Today

To consult with the provincial government regarding the railway legislation to come before parliament at the approaching session, Mr. William Mackenzie, president of the Canadian

pointed out that the prosperity in the middle west would react upon the Pacific province and that the development of the latter's resources given an impetus by the era of railway construction, would be unprecedented.

With regard to the Barkley Sound division of the Canadian Northern, Mr. Mackenzie was rather prepared to listen than to speak. He knew generally of the wealth of the island. He could not set the exact date for the commencement of construction anywhere throughout British Columbia. With the ratification of the agreement by the legislature as regards the bonds, there came the actual flotation of the latter.

"The cost of building a railway in British Columbia materially exceeds \$35,000 a mile," he remarked. "The G. T. R. estimate the cost of their road from the Yellow Head to Prince Rupert at something over \$70,000 per mile. Railways out here are not built in a night and the financial end of it is not the easiest thing in the world, but," and the exact date for the ratification of obtaining money for railway construction in the British financial centres more readily than anyone else in the world, smiled, "we do not anticipate any trouble in this regard."

Mr. Mackenzie would say nothing with regard to the company's plans for steamships on the Pacific, regarding any statement in this regard as premature. With regard to Victoria terminals he had nothing to remark at the present juncture either.

In the party are included in addition to Mr. Phippen, who recently resigned as judge of the appeal court of



W. Mackenzie

Northern railway is in the city accompanied by F. H. Phippen, general counsel of the same corporation. D. D. Mann, vice-president of the company, will join the party today.

With the ratification of the measure which will be framed during the visit of the railway builders, the financial arrangements necessary will be at once proceeded with and work inaugurated upon the mainland and island divisions of the road.

Mr. Mackenzie met the premier for a few minutes yesterday but most of the day was occupied by him in obtaining a first hand acquaintance with the present day Victoria. Of its possibilities and the prosperity which is certain to attend it, Mr. Mackenzie certainly has a most favorable opinion. The reputation of the city in obtaining a great amount of industry in obtaining a insight into Victoria harbor problems and conditions, the matter being gone into with Mr. C. H. Legrain at the Board of Trade rooms with the aid of the maps and plans there available. In the afternoon with the same gentleman and Mr. Phippen he took a general survey of the city and the district immediately surrounding it.

Barkley Sound Division.

The question of the acquisition of the charter and surveys of the Barkley Sound Railway Company will be considered during the stay of the Canadian Northern magnates in the city. A preliminary conference with Mr. M. Carlin in this connection took place yesterday at the Empress Hotel. A reputation of shareholders of the company will meet Messrs. Mackenzie and Mann within a few days, when final arrangements will be made. In the event of no settlement being reached, an arbitrator will be appointed to assess the figure at which charter and surveys should be taken over.

Mr. Mackenzie also expects to meet Mr. A. T. Goward of the B. C. Electric Railway Company in connection with a proposal of the latter company to come to an arrangement with the railway corporation to use the same right of way from the Jordan River to the city for the electric company's transmission lines.

Full of Promise.

"British Columbia is about to enter upon a period of prosperity which cannot be estimated," remarked Mr. Mackenzie to the Colonist yesterday. He

Manitoba to resume practice, R. J. Mackenzie, a son of the president, Mr. D. R. Campbell, superintendent of construction west of Port Arthur and Mr. M. L. Harvey, private secretary.

Mr. Mann will be accompanied by Col. A. D. Davidson, land commissioner.

GOOD OUTLOOK IN LUMBER TRADE

Demand From Prairies Expected to Show Briskness This Year

VANCOUVER, Jan. 5.—Buyers representing 165 lumber yards in Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba, are either in Vancouver today or have been in the city within the past few days for the purpose of purchasing and acquainting themselves with the conditions of the manufacturing end of the lumber business.

A large manufacturer of lumber in Vancouver stated today that the outlook for the heavy exportation of lumber to the prairies during 1910 is excellent. The lumbering industry on the coast has never been, according to this authority, in better condition than it is today, stocks in the mills being about half what they were this time last year, and the demand is much better than was the case twelve months ago.

Lumber manufacturers on the coast are expecting a general stiffening of the market in March and April, and while there may be no general advance in the price of lumber, increases are looked for in certain grades which some mills are at present long on. When they have worked their stocks down, advances will naturally occur.

Game in Ontario.

TORONTO, Jan. 5.—During the hunting season just closed, 3,223 deer were killed in Ontario and 24 moose.

WHY PEERS RISK HEALTH

Lloyd George Pictures Them As Walking in Valley of Humiliation

ISSUES OF CONTEST VARYING DAILY

Mr. Balfour Makes Strong Speech Dealing With German Menace

LONDON, Jan. 5.—Lloyd George addressed two meetings and again chipped the peers. He could say this, that for men at ease they had never worked so hard in their lives. Why were they risking their health? They were walking through the valley of humiliation purely in order to find work for unemployed by urging taxation on bread and meat. People would get work. It is true their wages would not come to as much, and would not go as far, but still they would have plenty of work. The peers on the other hand, would have more profit and less work. London, he claimed, would give the lead to the rest of the country. It was asked why not copy Germany? Tariffs were driving the people of Germany into socialism by the millions. There were already three millions and at the next election there would be more made by the cruel tax on food. His budget merely enlarged and revised the edition of Kipling's poem, "Duke's son, Cook's son, son of a belted Earl, pay, pay, pay." (Cheers.)

John Burns said the government's opponents were singing a dirge over the death of the Liberal party, but in the year which followed the jeremiad of Chamberlain imports had increased from £14,000,000 to £24,000,000, and exports had shown correspondingly great increases. Not a nation in modern times has shown such vitality and progress as Great Britain.

Mr. Churchill at Dundee, said the Liberal plan taxed wealth, but the Conservative plan taxed wages. The Liberal plan taxed estates and land values, the Conservative plan taxed bread and meat, manufactures and necessities, while the Liberal taxed luxuries.

Lord Crewe said the electors were asked to sell their constitutional birthright for a mess of protectionist potage.

Walter Long at Belfast said Home Rule meant destruction of the prosperity and happiness of the people of Ireland. He recalled the words of Lord Randolph Churchill: "Ulster will fight; Ulster will be right." Those were awful words, it might in future be said of them, and the choice was as terrible as civil war. With all his heart he prayed God to avoid anything so terrible.

Lord Northcote said Lloyd George had laid a trap for the Lords, but he may get his own figures caught in it. The Lords were not afraid of being the dominant issue, and had boldly entered into the arena to face their traducers.

Bonar Law, Unionist candidate in Dulwich, said he was strongly in favor of reform in the House of Lords. If the government had proposed a reform, he would have faithfully considered the proposals with a view to supporting them.

Lord Milner has recovered from his recent indisposition.

Sixteen London and fifty provincial constituencies vote on Monday Jan. 17. The forecasts of Unionists are optimistic. They claim many seats, even though in some cases the Liberals in the last election had a majority of 1500, while on Monday a large number of Liberals are to see their finish.

Various Issues.

Though public absorption in the election continues, the dominant issue varies almost from day to day. When the campaign opened before Christmas the marching order given to the ministerial speakers were: "Concerning the budget; that is the winning card," and under the stimulus of Lloyd George's purple speeches the peers seemed an easy prey. But the popular appetite soon tires of one dish especially if it is highly spiced, and even in Radical circles, Lloyd George's talk last night about the House of Lords as a menagerie working overtime at the circus business falls a little flat.

Immediately following Lloyd George's speech the Radical Chronicle quotes a caustic criticism in the budget by Earl Stanhope, who was a recent guest of Earl Grey at Ottawa. Lord Stanhope said: "Look at the methods of this Chancellor of ours, this dignified successor of Mr. Gladstone. If you are a landlord, or possess anything of an income, he says you are a ruffian and a blackguard. If you vote Conservative you must be taxed, but if you are a godawater manufacturer he said: 'My boy I know you have voted Liberal at every election. You are a benefactor to the race. You shall not be taxed.'"

"Turning next to the licensed victuallers, our chancellor says: 'You are a monster. You go Conservative. You shall be taxed out of existence.' But cocoa manufacturers who are the mainstay of Liberal Journalism and Liberal party funds he consoles by the assurance that they shall not only go tax free but continue to enjoy incidentally the protection of the present British food taxes."

Ulster Fights.

As the campaign against the Peers weakens, the German naval menace and Home Rule come to the front. Yesterday the annual gatherings of Ulster Unionist councils at Belfast, which the Unionists hope to reflect

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The Colonist Has All the News

WHERE YOU MAY SEE THAT COMET

Celestial Visitant Should Be
Visible From Victoria Now
—A Dissertation.

What! no, the Comet?
Have you seen it yet?
There is no reason why you should not see it if you have good eyes, according to Oregon Hastings, of Victoria, one of the most expert amateur astronomers in the Canadian West.

The whole matter resolves itself into a question of eye-sight. One astronomer of some note, resident in Philadelphia declares that he has been studying the strange visitor without the aid of a telescope and Mr. Hastings says that if this is true the Comet can be seen as readily by the naked eye from Victoria—providing the eye and the understanding be in good working order.

This verdict coincides with the verdict of star-namers generally. The Comet should be visible to lynx-eyed Victorians on the first clear night from this on, until it passes and gradually becomes lost to view again prior to its reappearance and return over practically the same track and its eventual disappearance for another three-quarters of a century.

Now, a good deal, in this interesting star-gazing, depends upon one's idea of a comet. Some people with good eyes will stare at Halley's poor comet out of countenance and yet fail to recognize it because they have been looking for a sort of stellar devil with a forked tail. Others again rake the night sky for a phosphorescent overgrown air ship and wonder why they can't see it. Still others are over-sanguine, mistake every Angel's Forget-Me-Not for Halley's old friend, and writes letters to the paper about the gift of second sight, human telescopes and unusual vision.

Its Appearance.
Far be it from us, to mislead a trusting public or diffuse mis-information in the belief that we know anything about astrology or astronomy or any other kind of ology or onomy, but we have been given to understand that when the spectacles of the oldest Victorian have finally picked up the comet, it will have the appearance of a few yards of star dust, somewhat brighter at one end than the other.

We also have been given to understand that although some astronomers declare the earth will eventually pass through the Comet's tail, comets have no bad manners such as are displayed by crocodiles and whales and other amphibians with tails, and that Halley's pet will positively not take a crack at us with his anterior appendage. In view of this assurance of forbearance, we are constrained to wish the Comet a very happy 75 years and to express the earnest wish that in passing through his tail we may do so as gently as possible causing him the least amount of pain we can, under the circumstances.

Running to Schedule.
Now, the average layman is given to speaking of the exactness of science and heretofore we have been willing to join in the everlasting song and crown the scientist as the Wiz or Oz. But since this Halley Comet began to post bills about his approaching appearance, we have been from Missouri in precisely the same manner as we grew suspicious in our earlier youth, of circus posters which described three brilliant rings all in simultaneous action, with 20 elephants, count 'em. The first dodgers that appeared to announce the approaching appearance of Professor Halley de Comet and his stupendous and scintillating aggregation of brilliant and burnished, telescoping tails, positively the first appearance in any sky for 75 years, and now only for a limited engagement, stated that his first performance before the Naked Eye Gallery would take place early in December. Well, the professor failed to come through and the scientists began to explain for him that they had made a mistake in his routing and that he would keep the date in the latter part of December. Santa Claus got around on that and December and 1909 began to amble towards the door, and yet Professor Halley de Comet lingered in the whitherwards. Then the scientists coughed apologetically all over the world and informed the public that the professor reserved the right to vary from his timetable without notice and that the best they could promise was that he would show up sometime soon.

At the present time the professor has everybody guessing. Some of the sky experts say that he is visible now; others shout "Toots, toots" and declare that he will not show up in the range of the duns dishabille eye before February. One astronomer and scores of laymen in the east say they can see the comet now. Victorians have just as good a chance. Go to it!

However, N.Y. a very nifty gazer at the skies, points out, in this matter of actually viewing the Comet it must be remembered that there is a wide difference in the seeing power of different individuals. If the well-meant word of every prominent club-man were taken, the astronomical maps would be sprinkled thicker with pea green and rose pink comets than the seashore is with sand. And we do not say that the said prominent club-men would not have seen these comets. In fact we are agreed that they might very well have seen them. Yet we would not subscribe to a system of scientific observation that took note of such reports.

A Telescopic Comet.
The difference in the power of vision between one person and another is partly physical and partly mental. Some minds have greater power than others to perceive, greater power than of what they perceive and catalogue the results. Continuing his interesting dissertation, Mr. Campbell says:

"The heavenly bodies are of all degrees of brightness. Some objects, like the familiar satellites of Jupiter, are just outside the range of normal vision. Some can make their satellites without a glass. These will, perhaps, be first to detect the comet, while others doubt their word. But even though following the example of railroad companies, this comet reserves the right to vary from the timetable without notice, the headlight is already seen in the telescope, and we shall soon see the whole train go by in great magnificence.

What the hope has been extended that Halley's comet would stretch out to a length of 45 degrees, or 90 moons. On the occasion of any particular visit no one can predict with absolute certainty just how long it will appear. It has been seen smaller. But its true length, it must be remembered is to be measured in the telescope, or rather on the photographic plate, though even the latter will wait to catch the finest wisps of the tail's end.

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Near Mu.
But, to return to Mr. Hastings, our own local gazer at the skies, Victorians have as good a chance as anyone—better than those who inhabit the region of sky-scrappers—to get a head on this comet. All that is necessary is to rub your eyes out well so that they are working at full horse power and then direct their gaze away to the northeast high up over the exhibition grounds. There, if you have luck, you should see the star called Mu situated comfortably in the head of Cetus. The Whale, in the constellation of Aries, Halley's Comet should be seen just a trifle above and a weeny bit to the right of Mu.

By February 1 it will be in Pisces, near the star Epsilon. More and more slowly it will progress westward from there till near the star Omega in Pisces. It seems to stop and reverse its direction, going back through Aries and Taurus, to be seen in Orion in May, low in the western sky, then yet farther east, in the early morning, after it has passed the sun.

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BANDITS MAKE CLEAR GETAWAY

Stove Traveller Held Up Near
Shawnigan Lake Tells
Story to Police

Claiming that on Wednesday, the 29th ult., he was held up on the wagon road about two miles from the Strathcona hotel at Shawnigan Lake, at noon by two strangers who forced him to hand over money to the amount of \$48, John Williams, traveller for the Home Comfort Stove company, of Toronto, has been giving the Provincial police authorities a busy time for the past few days. Yesterday Sergeant Murray, of the provincial police, who has been out with Williams for past two days endeavoring to locate the highwaymen, returned to the city without having secured a clue to the bandits who Williams alleges did the trick.

Tale of Holdup
According to Williams' story, he was proceeding along the wagon road near Shawnigan Lake when he came up with two strangers. He stopped them to inquire about the country and gain information of the roads when one of the men asked if he had any money. Williams admitted he had, and that it was in his hip pocket, whereupon the pair ordered him to hand it over on pain of being hurt. No guns were flourished, but Williams states that the attitude of the pair made him believe that unless he complied with their request he would be roughly used. Accordingly he considered discretion the better part of valor, and produced his roll. The strangers then departed in the direction away from Shawnigan Lake.

Williams returned to the hotel and came into the city, reporting the case to the police authorities. On Monday Sergeant Murray and Williams went up the line as far as Duncan, and then walked over the greater part of the territory, making close investigation of settlers and others for a trace of the men of whom Williams gave detailed descriptions. But the search resulted in nothing. Not a person in the country covered had seen any men answering to the descriptions given, and after two days investigating, Sergeant Murray and Williams returned to the city, arriving here yesterday morning.

AVIATOR KILLED
De La Grange's Machine Collapses in
Flight and Crashes to the
Ground.

BORDEAUX, Jan. 5.—Leon De La Grange, the French aviator, whose achievements in the past two years have won for him a high place among those who have sought to conquer the air, was instantly killed here today while making a flight in the presence of a great crowd of spectators.

A strong, uncertain wind prevailed, but with characteristic daring De La Grange faced it in the early morning when he made a record of 53 miles an hour at the Bordeaux meeting last October. He circled the aerodrome, seeming to have his machine under good control and yet at times it heeled dangerously to the wind. On the third round, when at a height of between 80 and 90 feet, he increased his speed. He swung wide at the turns but at the lower end of the aerodrome he attempted to describe a short curve.

The machine was seen to sway. The left wing was broken and the right wing collapsed. The aerodrome came plunging to the earth, falling half over as it fell, with the aviator clinging to the seat. In this way it crashed to the ground, with De La Grange beneath. The heavy motor crushed out his life.

The mechanics are at a loss to explain the exact cause of the accident. They are merely able to say that it resulted from manoeuvring too quickly in the puffy winds.

Killed in Railway Wreck.
ABERDEEN, South Dakota, Jan. 5.—In a collision between a Milwaukee and St. Paul work train, and an extra freight between Grima and Roscoe, early today, three workmen were killed outright, and three who were injured died later. Two others were hurt.

WANDERED INTO BUSH TO DIE

Nude Body of George Roberts
Found on Trail Near
Goldstream

Lying on the trail in the mountains about a mile and a half from Goldstream, the dead body of George Roberts, the section foreman on the E. & N. railway, who disappeared on Saturday night last, was discovered yesterday afternoon about 2 o'clock. That Roberts' strange disappearance was due to his disturbed mental state is evident. After leaving his speeder on the railway tracks near Niagara Canyon on Saturday night, Roberts took to the bush and wandered a mile or two to the spot where his body was discovered yesterday. He had removed every vestige of clothing except his boots and in his nude condition had apparently wandered about until overcome by exhaustion he lay down and succumbed to the extreme cold.

The body was discovered by Joseph Barlow who was detailed by the provincial police authorities on Tuesday to make a search for the missing man. Little is known of Roberts. It is believed that at one time he was engaged as a sealer and for the past two years was employed as laborer on the new residence erected at Hailey Park by Hon. James Dunsmuir. For the past few weeks he was employed by the E. & N. Railway company as a section hand near Niagara Canyon. An inquest will probably be held.

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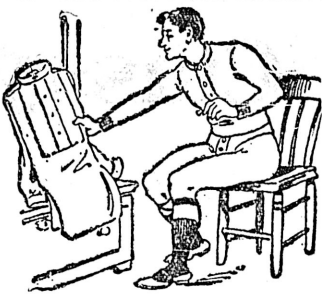
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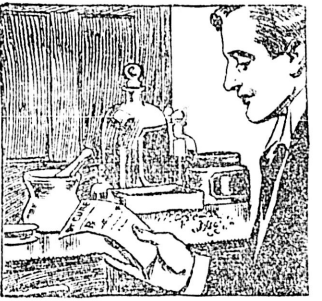
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HOT MUNICIPAL FIGHT AT SIDNEY

Candidates for Reeve and Councillors in North Saanich Have Been Announced

The municipal political pot is boiling in North Saanich. Practically all the candidates for local honors, at the elections which take place on the 15th inst., have announced themselves and such a fight is promised as has never before disturbed the quiet agricultural district of which Sidney is the hub.

George Sangster, the Reeve of last year, is opposed by C. C. Cochrane, of the Sidney Trading company, a newcomer, comparatively speaking, but who is making a brisk canvas and is reported to have obtained already a strong following of ardent supporters. Both in the north and the south wards the conflict is strenuous. In the former the two 1909 councillors are asking to be returned. They are Alexander McDonald and Rufus Horth. Opposing them are Henry Brethour and H. Ego. In the south section only one of the former holders of office, namely, Mark Hewitt, is coming before the electors again. L. Herbert, who was his running mate in the retiring council, has resigned. In his place is offered Mr. Bradley Dyne. If there are no other nominations the two latter will go in by acclamation, but it is thought that other names will be placed before the one hundred or more voters of that part of North Saanich before the day of election.

Many Local Issues

According to report the contest is being given considerably more interest than usual because it has developed into a struggle for the supreme place in the confidence of the electorate between a party led by George Sangster and another headed by Mr. Brethour. Apart from this, however, there are many purely local issues that are forming important topics of discussion, and on which the contestants are being asked to define their positions.

A resident of North Saanich in conversation with the Colonist last evening said that in the present campaign

the candidates were being requested to undertake the inauguration of a comprehensive system of improvement to the roads in and around the town of Sidney. With the news that the British Columbia Electric Railway Co. is taking active steps towards the construction of a belt electric line through the peninsula it was felt that Saanich's growing time had arrived and the consensus of opinion was that the residents should awaken to a sense of their responsibility. What was wanted was a council that would not be content to allow matters to remain dormant until good times come but would take some steps towards hastening their advent. Already the effect of the movement in Victoria was being felt throughout the peninsula. The prospects were that the evidence would be still more marked within a few months. This was another reason why the voters were taking an exceptionally keen interest in the pending election in their anxiety to put into office a body of progressive representatives.

COAST TEACHERS

Successful Meeting of Institute at Vancouver—Next Year at New Westminster.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 4.—The coast teachers institute at the close this afternoon of its two days' session, decided to meet next year in New Westminster, and elected the following officers: President, W. C. Cochrane, of New Westminster, succeeding Inspector Thomas Leith; first vice president, T. A. Brough, Vancouver East End High school, succeeding E. M. Cowperthwaite; second vice president, Miss A. S. Clark, principal of the girls' school, New Westminster, succeeding Miss E. Rogers.

The following officers were also elected on the first vote: Treasurer, H. King, Vancouver; recording secretary, Mr. McKenzie, New Westminster; corresponding secretary, Miss M. M. McKenzie, Vancouver.

It is the general opinion that this has been one of the most instructive and interesting of the nineteen conventions held by the institute.

Annuities for Pastors.

OTTAWA, Jan. 5.—It is announced that important changes in the Government Annuities Act, to be made at the present session of parliament, will enable congregations to purchase annuities for their pastors as well as missionaries.

DELEGATIONS MEET EXECUTIVE

Children's Aid Society Requests Changes in Act—Docks at English Bay

Yesterday's session of the Provincial Executive, lasting from 10 o'clock in the morning until well after six at night, was very largely devoted to the hearing of representative delegations, no fewer than four of which were in attendance, each with business of provincial importance. Of these three were heard in the morning, and one in the afternoon, an hour or two being subsequently spent with Civil Service Commissioner Moses Coworth in advancing toward completion his task of rating the various employees of the government.

A. B. Erskine, as president of the Children's Aid Society of Vancouver, headed the first deputation, with him being also Rev. Mr. Sandford, Secretary-Treasurer Gordon, and Mr. C. J. South, the general secretary of the provincial association. Numerous minor changes in the act were presented as desirable, chiefly in the direction of making this legislation for the protection and betterment of the conditions of the young more workable, and more conveniently enforced. The recommendations suggested will have the careful consideration of the Attorney General, and will again be brought before the executive with that minister's suggestion.

Docks at English Bay.

A subject of very great interest and importance to Vancouver city was introduced by the second deputation of the day, headed by W. M. McKay, of the firm of O'Brien & McKay. This was the proposed construction at English Bay of ocean docks to cost approximately \$1,500,000, to which all railways centering at Vancouver will extend their lines, and for the construction of which a lease of foreshore from the province is required, at what is known as Spanish Banks. Application for authority to construct the docks in question was made originally to the federal government, by which it was referred to the Point Grey Municipality with a request for information as to that corporation's opinion of the project. At this stage of the proceedings, Attorney General Bowser intervened, pointing out that administration of the foreshore rests in the Provincial Government, which contention is obviously accepted by the dock projectors as witnessed by their present application. Plans, specifications and particulars of the extensive project were left with the government, and further consideration of the application will be given at an early date.

The Hatzie Prairie dyking scheme was further considered by the government and the request of and in conjunction with the third of the deputations of the day, while the fourth was composed of the leading spirits in the port Mellon (Howe Sound) pulp wood and paper manufacturing company, which desires to consolidate its pulp wood leases with those at Quatsino, owned by others with whom amalgamation is proposed. Both matters will require further executive consideration.

Grain Comes West.

CALGARY, Jan. 5.—Practically all large shipments of grain are now going west to Vancouver. Such is the report of Grain Inspector Hill, of this city. He states that from 20 to 25 cars per day are passing through Calgary for shipment by the western route.

INDIANS MAY KILL BEAVER

Privilege Extended to Natives Living in Northern British Columbia

An order-in-council was passed at yesterday's meeting of the provincial executive permitting the killing and selling of beaver by Indians in the northern districts of the province until the 1st of August, 1911, at which date beaver again becomes legitimate spoil of all hunters and trappers in the territory in question, lying beyond the union of the Blackwater with the Fraser.

The action yesterday decided upon has been taken only after careful consideration of all issues involved, and after hearing of practical witnesses—representatives of the Indian department, government agents, Hudson Bay company officials, and missionaries in touch with the conditions of the localities interested, and of the Indians chiefly and directly concerned. The latter, as has been fully established, are even more anxious than the whites to protect the beaver against the possibility of extermination, and only kill the increase of their so-called "beaver farms."

At the same time it would appear that the protection that has been given the beaver during the close season of the past few years has fully answered its purpose, the little animal which Canada has adopted as the type of industry having increased throughout the province with such rapidity that scarcely a week passes without some permits issued for the killing of beaver in sections wherein they have become a dangerous and an expensive nuisance.

Even in New Westminster city, so recently as last week, a permit was applied for, and, after inquiry granted, authorizing the killing of beaver upon Lulu Island. A colony of thirty to fifty beaver has there established itself, and seriously threatens the safety of the dykes, in which they are energetically boring holes. Another beaver colony is proving itself a nuisance at Deer Lake, not half a dozen miles out of Vancouver City.

Toronto University Grant.

TORONTO, Jan. 5.—The Ontario government today promised consideration to the request of a deputation representing the University, that the grant of \$9,000 per annum, which expired last year, be renewed.

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COMMISSION TO REVISE STATUTES

Charles Wilson, K. C., and A. P. Luxton, K. C., Appointed by Government

In the current week's issue of the British Columbia Gazette, the appointment will be formally announced of Messrs. Charles Wilson, K. C., and A. P. Luxton, K. C., as special commissioners under the act of last session in that behalf, to revise and consolidate the statutes of the province; Osborne Plunkett being named as secretary of the commission. Secondary legislation validating the proposed revision will, of course, be presented to the House at its approaching sitting, this being to a large extent formal procedure as the necessity of a general revision of the statutes was fully explained last session and affirmed in the act appearing as chapter 41 of the legislative fruit of 1909.

Long Pending

There has been no general revision of the statutes since 1897, when the formidable task of both revising and consolidating the then existing laws was finally completed by (the late) Chief Justice Theodore Davis, serving as a special commissioner and having the valuable assistance in the work of R. T. Elliott, K. C. From time to time since then, fragmentary revision has been made in connection with the passage of new legislation, but there nevertheless remains a formidable and very necessary work to be performed by the new commissioners, although the work will be neither so extensive nor yet so expensive as the revision of 1897.

Section 5 of the act of 1909 under which the present commission has been named, provides ample power for such alterations in the language of the statutes, such correction of clerical and similar obvious errors, and such omission of statutes of merely local applicability as the commissioners may deem necessarily contributory to the best results.

Personnel of Commission

Both commissioners are well known and highly esteemed in the profession throughout the province. Mr. Wilson, a former attorney general, is one of the pioneer members of the British Columbia bar, practising for years at the Capital before his removal to the Terminal City, where he is at present senior member of the firm of Wilson & Bloomfield, until very recently Wilson, Senkler & Bloomfield. His associate commissioner has also many years of successful provincial practice to his credit, and is the senior active member of the firm of Pooley, Luxton & Pooley.

GERMANS SUFFER

Railway Laborers Returning Tell of Great Hardships Undergone in Brazil

BERLIN, Jan. 5.—A story of maltreatment, terrible suffering and death among a party of Germans who left Hamburg last July to assist in the construction of the Madeira and Mamore railway in Brazil, is told in the socialist newspaper Vorwarts. Ninety-nine of the workmen returned to Europe late in December aboard the steamers Rio Negro and Rheina. Most of them are said to be suffering greatly from tropical diseases. The survivors assert that more than 200 of their former comrades are dead, while the rest are in hospitals at Manaus. One of the party who succeeded in getting back to Germany declares that conditions in Brazil were entirely different from what had been described to them before they signed the contracts. All of them were stricken from time to time with fever. Others state that the contractors broke all the terms of the engagements.

The Vorwarts says the agents are endeavoring to raise 50,000 more Germans to proceed to Brazil.

The Kelowna city council has determined to adopt drastic measures to stop sidewalk cycling.

MADE AGENT AT PRINCE RUPERT

J. O. McMullen, Inspector of Police, Succeeds William Manson

An appointment recommended by the attorney-general and approved by the executive at its sitting yesterday, was that of J. O. McMullen, for some time past inspector of police and senior officer of the provincial force under Superintendent F. S. Hussey, to succeed William Manson as government agent at Prince Rupert city.

The appointee is everywhere regarded as one of the strongest administrative members of the provincial service. Of English birth, he served for a time as captain in an English cavalry regiment, coming to British Columbia at the close of the Boer war in 1900, and entering the provincial service as a constable. He quickly won promotion on his ability to be chief constable at Fernie, afterwards acting as Government agent at that place, which office he filled during the trying days of the great fire. His next promotion was to the inspectorate of police, an office, the duties of which he has performed with singular fidelity and efficiency. Mr. McMullen leaves for Prince Rupert by the Princess Mary on Friday of this week, in order to confer with the retiring agent, Mr. Manson, before that gentleman leaves for Victoria to take up his parliamentary duties.

At yesterday's meeting of the executive, the resignations were received and accepted of W. O. Carter, collector of revenue tax in the provincial assessor's office in this city, and of A. Lucas, of Kaslo, provincial assessor for the Kootenay district, the latter of whom retires from the service in order to engage in business at Vancouver. The successors of these gentlemen have not yet been decided upon, the government having at present no fewer than four vacancies to fill in Nelson or the tributary district—those of government agent, district registrar, police magistrate and assessor.

AWAIT ACTION OF RATEPAYERS

Opera House Committee Will Canvass Again if By-law Is Defeated

A by-law to be submitted to the people at next week's civic election, known as the Opera House by-law, for the city is to donate a site situated at the rear of the Empress Hotel for the purpose of erecting a new opera house, is arousing considerable interest.

Among a large portion of the citizens there is some resentment at the resolution passed by the Ministerial body placing itself on record against the by-law being carried. It is felt that this resolution is merely an individual opinion of the various members of the Ministerial body and cannot be regarded as expressing the feelings among the parishioners in the different nonconformist churches. The fact of the Ministerial body placing itself on record against the granting of a site by the city, even if such action were endorsed by the ratepayers, would not prevent a theatre being built. This action, it is claimed, has not only estranged non-churchgoers, in a city which has been proved to possess a non-churchgoing community, but it has also brought forth expressions of dissent from many of the most regular church attendants.

Need of Theatre

The feeling among the great majority of the ratepayers is that the city must be provided with a new theatre, that arrangements for its construction must be made at once, and there is a

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belief abroad that the donation of a site by the city will be a step in the right direction. The board of trade committee which has the matter in hand has already been promised a sum exceeding \$55,000, and should the opera house by-law pass the electorate next week, it will be possible to commence the construction within the next few months. This committee is at present marking time, awaiting the action of the ratepayers. Should the by-law fail to pass, an active canvass will at once be commenced for further funds to enable the committee to purchase a site and begin the work of erecting a new theatre.

Fire in Tribune Block.

WINNIPEG, Jan. 5.—Fire, which burst out in the Tribune Block this morning, was responsible for damage which will be in the neighborhood of

\$10,000. The damage to the building itself will be under \$1,000, and the balance to the machines and the stock of the office holders in the building. The greatest sufferers among these will be the firm of Frank Morrison & Son, printers, who have had practically all their stock destroyed by water. There are, however, fully insured, and their loss will be covered. The National Cash Register Co.'s loss will be about \$4,000, fully insured.

Ottawa's Building Record.

OTTAWA, Jan. 5.—During last year 682 building permits were issued in Ottawa, for buildings valued at \$4,527,590; compared with 507 permits, representing a value of \$1,794,075, issued last year.

The Hotel Similkameen, at Hedley, had a narrow escape from destruction by fire on Monday last.

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IRON SMELTING

A San Francisco despatch confirms the Colonist's previous advice to the effect that the Foster steel plant, of which Mr. James A. Moore of Seattle, is the principal owner, will be ready for operation in March, and that the large corporation, that is to take over the plant, has been successfully floated. Mr. Moore, who, by the way, is a native-born Canadian although he has been living in the United States for about a quarter of a century, began several years ago to investigate the steel industry and the view to undertaking it on a large scale upon this Coast. He acquired the old plant at Ironside and renovated it. He purchased iron deposits in the State of Washington and British Columbia. He manufactured steel on a commercial scale, although not a very large one, and he demonstrated to his own satisfaction, and it appears to the satisfaction of the capitalists with whom he has been in touch, that the industry would be very profitable here. He himself is very enthusiastic over the outlook, and when he was last in Victoria declared his readiness to risk every dollar he owned in the enterprise.

This industry in this Coast is a great deal to this province. Mr. Moore has expressed the opinion that the best place to make pig iron on the Coast is somewhere in British Columbia, and he has said that he believed it would be desirable for his company to make all its iron here, shipping to its Ironside plant what pig was needed for the works there, and establishing a steel plant in this province to supply the demands of western Canada. That he aims at carrying some such plan into effect is certain and we have very great hope of his being able to do so at an early day. The people associated with him in his undertaking are financially strong. Mr. Herbert E. Law, of San Francisco, the vice-president of the Western Steel Corporation, of which Mr. Moore is the head, is a very wealthy man, and others associated with the concern are in the millionaire class. The enterprise is in strong and capable hands and it will doubtless prove successful.

BRITISH MINISTRIES

Between the years 1834 and the present time there have been 21 ministries in the United Kingdom, of which 10 were Conservative and 11 Liberal. The Conservatives were in power 33 years and 1 month, or a little over 3 years on an average for each ministry. The Liberals were in power 42 years and 7 months, a somewhat longer an average than their

rivals. The longest term of office of any ministry was from 1895 to 1902 when the Marquis of Salisbury was in power for 7 years and 1 month. Then Mr. Balfour came in and remained in for 3 years, which made 10 years and 1 month of continuous office for the Conservatives. The shortest premiership was that of Sir Robert Peel, in 1834-35, which lasted a little over 4 months. Following is a list giving the names of the several premiers since 1834 with their terms of office:

Premier	Years	Months
Melbourne	5	4
Peel	4	5
Melbourne	4	10
Peel	5	7
Russell	2	2
Derby	1	4
Palmerston	6	5
Derby	1	7
Russell	1	10
Disraeli	5	10
Gladstone	7	7
Salisbury	1	5
Gladstone	7	1
Salisbury	1	7
Rosebery	1	4
Salisbury	6	5
Balfour	3	5
Campbell-Bannerman	2	4
Asquith	1	9

THE BRITISH CAMPAIGN.

Some allowance must be made for the source from which the despatches from Great Britain regarding the election contests emanate. They are intended as a rule to satisfy the taste of United States readers for the sensational, and hence, while they may be correct enough as far as they go, the high lights are thrown upon those features of them which make the best "copy." Thus, we are told that there is disappointment in some quarters because Mr. Asquith does not seem prepared to do away with the House of Lords, if he is returned to power. That there ever was the slightest reason to suppose him to have any such step in contemplation is too absurd for serious consideration. Such a revolution may come about one day; but there is no probability that it will take place in many years. The people of the United Kingdom are not prepared for government by a single legislative chamber, and the House of Lords, with all its anomalous features, has been far too long an integral part of the government machinery to be struck out because on any one issue it has frustrated the wishes of the House of Commons. Mr. Asquith's position may be stated in general terms to be that the House of Lords must be no longer permitted to stand in the way of the expression of the popular will by the House of Commons; but in none of his speeches has he ever intimated that he desired to see the hereditary chamber abolished. He has gone no further in this direction than some of the most influential members of the Conservative party.

An impression seems to prevail among some people that in some special way the King is in sympathy with the House of Lords, not in regard to the Budget, but as a general proposition, and that in this respect he is following historical precedent. But historical precedent is quite the other way. The barons have done more to curb the powers of the sovereign than ever the commonality did. Indeed, as a rule, British kings have owed their crowns rather to the people than to the nobility, and in proportion as the Crown has trusted to popular support it has been strong. This is the great lesson of English history, and we may witness new exemplifications of it in our own time. In the event of a Liberal victory at the polls, a situation will be treated that will call for the exercise on the part of the King of a high standard of statecraft. His Majesty is a constitutional sovereign; but no construction of the constitution warrants any one in supposing that in the event of an emergency he will be nothing more than a mere figurehead. The prerogative is not an empty thing confined to the conferring of personal favors, and no interpretation of parliamentary government justifies the assumption that the King must abdicate his royal functions at the bidding of his minister, even if the latter has behind him a powerful popular majority. The King cannot throw his responsibilities wholly upon his advisers, and it is not difficult to imagine the occurrence of conditions in which the personality of the sovereign may be forced to the front, and he may throw himself upon the people for their approval of such course as he may adopt. If the government is sustained, and Mr. Asquith proves strong enough to resist the extremists in his own party, His Majesty may be satisfied to remain aloof from controversy; but, if the revolutionary ideas, of which Mr. Churchill is the exponent, should prevail in the ministry, he might find it necessary to interpose his influence so that the people may have a chance to reflect before any great changes were made. No British King has ever faced a more serious crisis than that which may arise as the result of the elections, unless Mr. Asquith proves equal to the consequence of a Liberal victory. We feel satisfied that King Edward VII. will exercise his customary wisdom and strength of purpose and that such constitutional changes as may be the result of the election will not be revolutionary. Even in the event of a Conservative victory, the case will not be materially altered. In our judgment, no matter which party comes out of the election with a majority, the United Kingdom will be launched upon a stormy sea, the other shore of which is not by any means clearly in sight. It may easily come about that the safety of the country will rest, as it has not rested for many generations,

in the hands of the sovereign, and it is a very fortunate thing that His Majesty is a man of sound common sense and calm judgment.

Vancouver's death rate of 1 in 92, is certainly by no means high.

In England the watchword of the day seems to be: "Win, no matter how." There never was such a contest in the whole history of the United Kingdom.

Our Vancouver correspondent sends us some interesting information regarding the prospects before the lumber trade. So important is this industry to the province that everything calculated to improve it is welcome news.

Man in California was sent to gaol for thirty days for betting on a baseball match. Our southern friends on matters of public morality are "saying at the spigot and spilling at the bung."

Mr. Chamberlain said last week that he thought the Conservatives will have a majority of 100. Mr. Asquith was also confident that the Liberals would have a large majority. Evidently there is a big surprise in store for some one.

The United States Bureau of Statistics puts the amount of foreign capital invested in that country at \$6,000,000,000, of which \$5,000,000,000 is English money and the remainder chiefly German.

A London dispatch to the Canadian Associated Press says: "It is probable that the Imperial government will at an early date announce approval of the revival suggested by the Dominion government of the three old Canadian regiments of Infantry."

And now an iconoclastic astronomer has asserted that there are no canals on Mars, for he says the latest photograph show no markings on the planet that can be called artificial. If this is true, what becomes of all the pretty theories about our supposed neighbors?

Some people in the United States are much exercised because the imports of that country are coming approximately near the exports in value. The old notion that the measure of a country's prosperity is to be judged by the excess of its exports over its imports dies hard, and yet there never was a greater fallacy.

A man died in Massachusetts recently who was a friend of Lafayette. The latter told him stories of an old friend of his who had passed his ninetieth year. In other words the Massachusetts man knew a man, who knew a man who was born when Charles II. was on the throne. There are doubtless living in Spain today persons who can say that they knew a man, who knew a man, who knew a man, who knew Christopher Columbus.

The Toronto Globe speaks of an Ontario 40-acre orchard, which has just been sold for \$17,000, which is \$425 per acre. As the yield of fruit was valued at \$300 per acre, the purchaser has reasons to congratulate himself upon his bargain. The Globe also mentions a case of a farmer with 35 apple trees, who sold the produce last fall for \$360. Our contemporary says these good results are due to scientific fruit-growing. They have an interest to people in this vicinity.

Frederick Greenwood, of the Pall Mall Gazette, died a few days ago. To only a small circle was his name known, and even a smaller one knew of the great service he rendered the British Empire on one occasion. It was he who learned that the Khedive's shares in the Suez Canal were on the market and persuaded Beaconsfield, then Prime Minister, to buy them. The story, as it was told in newspaper circles at the time, was that the news came into the newspaper office very late at night. Mr. Greenwood saw its importance, and hastened to Beaconsfield's residence with it. That statesman was asleep, but he was awakened. He grasped the importance of the information, and with Mr. Greenwood repaired to Lord Rothschild's residence. The great banker was roused from his slumbers and agreed to furnish the money, for of course there was no appropriation available. Next day the shares were secured, and Great Britain laid the foundation of her control of Egypt.

We do not think that our Opposition friends need disturb their slumbers in efforts to decide what Mr. McBride is likely to do with the extra constituency which he at present represents. He will not delay longer than is necessary in giving them a chance to put up another man to be defeated. Nor do we think there need be any undue anxiety in regard to the position of Finance Minister, which Mr. Bowser is at present so satisfactorily filling. We do not profess to be in the confidence of the Premier on this point; but if he should take the position that the Department of Finance is one that ought not, unless there was absolute necessity for it, to be placed in the hands of a new minister upon the eve of a session, we think he could easily justify his position. A contemporary suggests the name of Mr. Carter-Cotton for the post. He is a gentleman who would command respect in that or any other office. There are other government supporters in the legislature of whom the same can be said. When the time comes to increase the Cabinet to its full numerical strength, Mr. McBride will have no difficulty in finding a colleague, who will add to the strength of the government and possess the confidence of the people.

HAVILAND CHINA

The Leader of Our "Open Stock" Patterns

HAVILAND CHINA—its name is world wide. Imitations galore are offered—a tribute to its worth. We are headquarters for the genuine Haviland, and we are fortunate indeed to be able to offer you this handsome pattern in Haviland China as an "open stock." The decoration is a very pleasing treatment of gold, which you must see to appreciate. The ware is the finest.

The "open stock" idea permits every home having a handsome service in their home. Start with a few pieces, if you must, and add as your purse permits. Then if a piece is broken, the matter of replacing is easy—just phone your order to us. No excuse for a "patchwork" dinner service when such magnificent "open stock" patterns are offered.

A dozen other "open stock" patterns in other makes.

FLAT PLATES, per dozen	\$8.50 to \$5.00	SOUP TUREENS, each	\$6.00
SOUP PLATES, per dozen	\$8.50	SAUCE TUREENS, each	\$4.00
FRUIT SAUCERS, per dozen	\$4.00	SAUCE BOATS, each	\$3.00
FLAT DISHES, each, \$7.50 to	\$1.75	COVERED BUTTERS, each	\$2.25
TEAS AND SAUCERS, per doz. \$9.50 to	\$10.00	CAKE PLATES, handled, each	\$1.50
BOUILLON CUPS AND SAUCERS, per dozen	\$12.00	INDIVIDUAL BUTTERS, per dozen	\$2.00
A. D. COFFEES AND SAUCERS, dozen	\$9.00	PICKLE DISHES, each	\$1.00
CHOCOLATE CUPS AND SAUCERS, per dozen	\$10.00	SUGARS, each, \$2.25 to	\$1.75
CHOCOLATE POTS, each, \$3.50 and	\$3.00	CREAMS, each, \$1.50 to	\$1.00
COVERDISHES, oval, each	\$4.50	LOBSTER SALAD BOWLS, each, \$2.00 to	\$7.50
CASSEROLES, round, each	\$4.50	MAYONAISE BOWLS, each	\$1.50
RAMIKINS AND STANDS, plain, per doz.	9.50	TRAYS, each	\$6.00
BAKERS, each	\$2.00	BOWLS, each	75c
		MOUSTACHE CUPS & SAUCERS, each	\$1.50
		COFFEES AND SAUCERS, per dozen	\$12.00

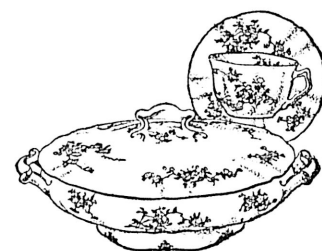
Dinner Services Priced from \$7.50

This Amount Buys a 98-Piece Set. Prices Range up to \$230. Dozens of Beautiful Patterns to Choose From



If you don't fancy the stock pattern idea, or if by chance the patterns don't please you, you'll find our offerings in dinner services especially interesting. Interesting because of the broad choice of patterns and interesting too in the matter of price. We have a service for every home and for every occasion.

A visit to our china store will be a revelation to you. A more comprehensive collection of dinnerware has never been offered the West, and prices are remarkably fair considering the high quality of the ware. Welcome to come in on a tour of inspection at any time. We have sets in Haviland China, Ahrenfeldt Limoges, Wedgwood and all the best makes. Prices ranging up to \$230. A big choice of services in semi-porcelain. All prices, as low as a 98-piece set for \$7.50.



Sleep "Twixt" These New Flannelette Sheets

Cold Weather Sheets for Such Nights as These

Crawl between these cozy flannelette sheets and you'll forget that the thermometer hovers below the freezing point. "Cold Weather Sheets"—that's a better name for them. Try them once and you'll wonder why you "shivered" between white cotton ones so long.

We have just received a big shipment of these—dainty sheets, with pretty blue or pink borders, edges prettily finished with a thread of same shade. These are full size, room sheets, and rightly priced at, per pair, \$1.50 and \$1.25.

New Morris Chair Styles

Leather-Upholstered Chairs That Please



Several handsome and comfortable leather upholstered Morris Chairs have been added to our stock of leather upholstered furniture during the past few days. Don't fail to come in and inspect these—to see how genuinely comfortable some chairs can be made.

One is especially inviting. The frame is of solid oak finished in the popular Early English finish. Cushions are made of selected leather of an attractive olive shade. This is a great, large, roomy chair. Priced at \$50.00.

We have another, slightly smaller, at \$40.00.

And still another excellent Morris Chair, in either olive or maroon leather, at \$30.00.

Come up to the Third Floor and see our magnificent display of leather furniture.

Need More Warm Bedding

You'll Find Lots Ready for You Here

The Frost King still holds the town in his grip—and prospects of more cold weather before Winter passes into Springtime. Why delay purchasing warmer bedding? The better plan is to make the purchases now and get the full service. We have made the matter of choosing easy indeed—have gathered one of the most comprehensive assortments of Winter bedding ever offered Victorians, and have priced these magnificent articles so that they'll work no hardship to any purse.

Come in and see the best wool blankets from Scotland, the handsome down quilts from England and the cotton comforts that are the pick of Canada and the United States. Pleased to show you the stocks whether you purchase or not.

ALL-WOOL BLANKETS, per pair	\$3.50
McINTOCK DOWN QUILTS, from each	\$5.50

Sale of Linoleum Remnants

Come in and Share in the Savings

Furnish-ers of Homes Hotels Clubs

The West's Greatest Furniture House

WEILLER'S

Furnish-ers of Churches Schools Boats

Spark Guards

Of course you keep the fire burning brightly in the fireplace these nights. If you haven't a spark guard you are enjoying (?) unnecessary worry. Put one of these spark guards before the grate, and there is no danger from sparks. You can leave the fire with no danger of trouble from this source. Best assortment in the city.

All other fireplace furniture in great variety and choice are shown.

BRIGHT FINISH SPARK GUARDS

Made of best quality of wire—closely woven. A serviceable guard that will last for years—Size 36 x 30 in., at.....\$2.00
Size 36 x 30 in., at.....\$2.50

COPPER WIRE GUARDS

Made of copper wire, closely woven. Attractive in appearance and very durable—Size 30 x 30 in., at.....\$2.00
Size 36 x 30 in., at.....\$2.50
Size 36 x 30 in., at.....\$3.00
Size 42 x 30 in., at.....\$4.00

BRASS WIRE SPARK GUARDS

Made of closely woven brass wire, and of, course, attractive and durable as brass is—Size 24 x 30 in., at.....\$6.00
Size 30 x 30 in., at.....\$6.50
Size 36 x 30 in., at.....\$7.00

BLACK AND BRASS GOODS

These are just about the most stylish wire spark guards we have ever shown. Made of black wire with brass trimmings—Size 25 x 31 in., at.....\$2.50

NOTICE

A public meeting in the interest of John A. Turner, candidate for Mayor, will be held in Semple's Hall, Victoria West, on Friday evening, the 7th inst., at 8 o'clock.

FOR MAYOR

To the Electors of the City of Victoria

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: I beg to announce that I am a candidate for Mayor at the approaching election. After having served as Alderman for three years I now respectfully solicit your vote and influence for the more important position, and promise to do my utmost for the progress and betterment of our city. My principal objects are:

- To secure Sooke Lake as a water supply and passing of the bylaw to that end.
- To secure a competent engineer who shall be the managing head of all public works including water works construction.
- To secure the opening of a public market.
- To have a permanent official at a fixed salary, with offices at the City Hall, to attend exclusively to the legal work of the corporation.
- To systematically improve and beautify the streets and parks.

FOR ALDERMAN IN WARD TWO

To the Electors—Ladies and Gentlemen—

I beg to offer myself for re-election for Alderman in the above ward, and respectfully solicit your votes and influence.

FOR ALDERMAN IN WARD TWO

To the Electors—Ladies and Gentlemen—

Having decided to seek re-election as Alderman in the above ward, I respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

FOR ALDERMAN IN WARD THREE

To the Electors—Ladies and Gentlemen—

I beg to offer myself as a candidate for Alderman in the above ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

For Alderman in Ward 3

To the Electors: Ladies and Gentlemen:—I beg to announce myself as a Candidate for Alderman in Ward Three, and solicit your vote and influence.

For Alderman in Ward 4

Ladies and Gentlemen—I beg to offer myself for the above ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

FOR ALDERMAN IN WARD FOUR

To the Electors: Ladies and Gentlemen:—I beg to offer myself as a candidate for Alderman in the above ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

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To the Voters of Ward 5

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I beg to announce myself a candidate for the Aldermanic board at the forthcoming election, and respectfully ask your votes and influence. If elected I shall advocate among other things: The abolition of the \$1,000 now paid to the aldermen; the introduction of a system of controllerships in our civic government; the taxing of automobiles and other vehicles; the proceeds of this tax, legislative sanction having been obtained, to be funded and the maximum amount (probably \$150,000) borrowed thereon for immediate use in repaving the streets; the adoption of contract work in municipal affairs whenever consistent with true economy; and an honest attempt to get \$1.00's worth of work for each \$1.00 of taxes we ratepayers pay.

A. G. SARGISON

For Alderman

To the Electors of Ward Five

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I respectfully solicit your support as Alderman for your Ward. My sole object in offering my services is that I may assist in securing well made, clean and dustless streets, attractive parks and boulevards, an ample water supply, a complete sewerage system, more modern methods of street lighting, an efficient fire brigade and more fire protection. Victoria now "is at the parting of the ways," and the City Council should lead in all matters that will tend to bring more industries to Victoria and provide better business facilities. Nine live, progressive and energetic men in that Council, determined to use their natural advantages to the utmost, can have a most potent influence in shaping Victoria's future destiny, in bringing increased prosperity to her citizens, and in helping her to take her rightful place amongst the up-to-date cities of the Coast.

I have always worked hard for Victoria, and have spent seven of the best years of my life in her service, during which time I had the opportunity of observing the latest and most modern methods adopted by over thirty cities in the West in municipal improvements, which should be of some value to our City Council. If elected, I shall, in a year's time, not be ashamed of my record, and promise you that I shall have accompanied something worth the doing and outside of the common rut of days gone by.

I have not the time to call upon each elector personally, but shall take other means of placing before you my views in detail on municipal matters. In the meantime, I ask your good wishes and support on a policy of more permanent improvements and less waste in public works, and an equitable assessment with a reduced rate of taxation.

Yours faithfully,

Herbert Cuthbert

For Reeve

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAANICH

Ladies and Gentlemen: I beg to announce that I am a candidate for Reeve at the approaching election. After having served as Councilor for two years, I now respectfully solicit your vote and influence for the more important position and promise to do my utmost for the progress and betterment of our Municipality.

Joseph Nicholson

For School Trustee

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA

Ladies and Gentlemen:—I beg to announce that I am a candidate for re-election as School Trustee at the forthcoming Municipal Elections and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

P. J. RIDDELL

FIFTY YEARS AGO

(The Colonist, Jan. 5, 1860.)

Imperial Presents. Apropos of presents, the popular and gentle Empress Eugene has received from her people a most splendid and unique gift of two elegant cases weighing one hundred and eighty ounces.

The Great Balloon Voyage. Mr. T. S. Lowe, the aeronaut who proposes to undertake an aerial voyage to Europe, has published a card giving his views of the art of ballooning. He contends that the impression which prevails that no essential improvements have been made in the art of ballooning since the days of the brothers Montgolfier, is erroneous. During the last fifty years no less than three thousand balloon ascensions have taken place in different parts of the United States.

The Franklin Meeting. "The highest gentleman" as the Gazette flatteringly styles the candidate of its first and unflinching choice, addressed his friends and admirers at the Music Hall last evening. Mr. Trounce filled the chair and Messrs. Homfray, Robson and one or two other gentlemen occupied seats on the platform. Mr. Franklin gave a tame and hesitating relish of his address and touched on one or two matters not adverted to in that document. He waxed very earnest as to the debt, denied its existence, pledged his word and honor that there was none and if ever adroitly he claimed, he would put in his "protest to the British House of Commons" so that we should never have to pay it. This ghost ought now to be considered as effectually laid. We confess, however, that our fears, founded on knowledge, refuse to be quieted.

Note.—At the election to the legislature mentioned the candidates for Victoria town were Messrs. G. H. Cary and S. Franklin, known as the friends of the Hudson's Bay Co. The "Reform" candidate was A. B. Cosmos. In Victoria County district the candidates were Hudson's Bay Company, Messrs. Tolmie and Crease, "Reform," Messrs. A. Waddington, James Yates and C. A. Bayley.

In Esquimalt division the candidates were Hon. J. S. Henneken and Messrs. Cooper and Skinner.

Two Men Stabbed. Last evening two men were stabbed near the Royal Hotel, one in the neck and the other in the back, neither, however, dangerously. The person who committed the deed is now in confinement miserably drunk.

PREPARE TO MOVE

Finch and Finch Making Preparations to Vacate Premises

Finch & Finch, the old established firm of men's furnisiers, are preparing for their removal sale. The present premises are included in the block purchased by the Charlton people for the erection of a ten-cent store, and for that reason Messrs. Finch are preparing to vacate by the end of March.

On Monday next, the store doors will close to get the stock in shape for the sale which will be held when the firm will close out many of its lines preliminary to removing. As yet they will not announce their proposed location. They are considering erecting a block upon the property recently purchased by them on Yates street but nothing definite has been decided in this connection. The business has been located in its present site since the erection of the block and the firm regrets the necessity of removing.

A New Attachment.

The editor of the magazine was somewhat dubious. "Curious," said he, "that this anecdote of Napoleon has never been in print before." It has been in print before," explained the space writer, "but not attached to Napoleon."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Ladies and Gentlemen: I beg to announce that I am a candidate for re-election as School Trustee at the forthcoming Municipal Elections and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

MARGARET JENKINS.

January 3rd, 1910.

Clothing Buyers Know What a Clearance Sale Means

When Fit-Reform holds it, and they come here in crowds.

The prudent man—the far-seeing man will proceed to clothe up himself and every boy in the family while this sale is on.

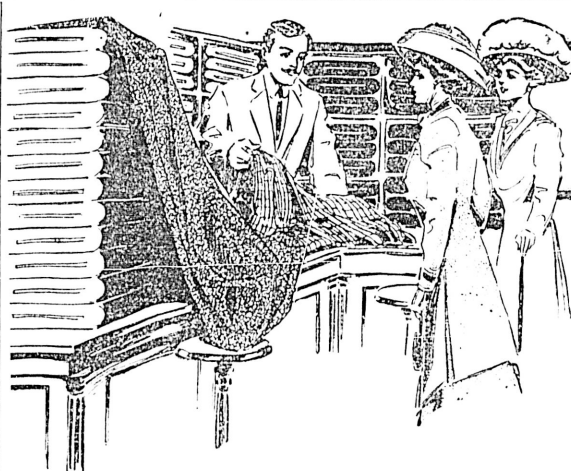
FIT-REFORM

1201 GOVERNMENT ST.

THE WHITE HOUSE

JANUARY SALE

Bargains In Dress Goods For Today's Shoppers



Our Remnant Counter teems with bargains it will pay thrifty women to investigate

STRIPE SERGES, in green, brown and cardinal. Regular 50c per yard. Sale price **35c**
SATIN CLOTH, striped in grey, brown, fawn, green and navy. Regular 65c per yard. Sale price **50c**
STRIPE VENETIAN, in navy and green. Regular 75c per yard. Sale price **60c**
EMPIRE SUITING STRIPES, in all shades. Regular \$1.00 per yard. Sale price **75c**
CHEVIOT TWEEDS, in stripes, all shades. Regular 75c per yard. Sale price **50c**
STRIPE SATIN CLOTH SUITINGS, in brown, green and navy, 50 in. Regular \$1.35 per yard. Sale price **\$1.00**
TWEEDS, striped, heavy quality, all shades, 54 in. wide. Regular \$1.50 per yard. Sale price **75c**
HARRIS HOMESPUN, in red, brown, green and natural. Regular \$1.50 per yard. Sale price **75c**
TWILLED CHEVIOT SUITINGS, in all shades. Regular \$1.50 per yard. Sale price **\$1.20**
WORSTED SUITINGS, striped in all shades, 50 in. wide. Regular \$1.75 per yard. Sale price **\$1.40**
STRIPE VENETIAN SUITINGS, 54 in. wide, in all colors. Regular \$1.50 per yard. Sale price **\$1.20**
COVERT COATINGS, in brown, green and grey. Regular \$1.25 per yard. Sale price **\$1.00**
CRAVETTE CLOTH, for raincoats, 60 in. wide—Regular \$2.40 per yard. Sale price **\$1.75**
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HENRY YOUNG & CO.

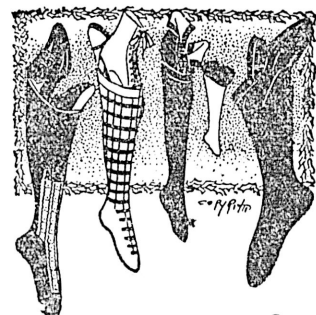
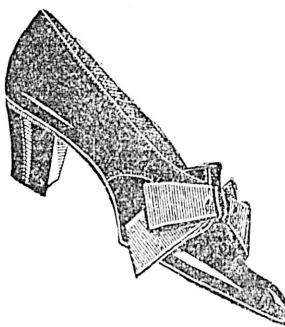
The White House

1123 Government Street

WINTER SHOE SALE

Ten Days

Ten Days



We now commence our Semi-Annual Winter Sale of Men's, Boy's, Women's, Misses' Footwear of all sorts. Twice a year we hold these sales, for we never carry Shoes Season to Season. It's better to sell them, get what we can for them and offer our patrons a clean, stylish stock of shoes at the opening of each season. Shrewd buyers look forward to these sales, and it's a great money-saving opportunity, surely.

Men's and Boy's Shoes

MEN'S \$5.50 and \$6.00 BLUCHER LACED BOOTS, broken lines, all leathers, double soles, leather lined **\$3.95**
MEN'S STAMPED \$3.00 BLUCHER LACE BOOTS, two shapes, 1910 styles **\$3.95**
\$4.50 WISCONSIN OIL TANNED GRAIN WATER-TIGHTS, outside counters, double soles **\$3.50**
MEN'S \$4.00 VELOUR CALF BLUCHER LACE BOOTS, double tops, nifty shape **\$2.85**
MEN'S \$3.50 BOX CALF BLUCHER LACED BOOTS, leather lined, double soles, riveted **\$2.65**
MEN'S \$3.00 EVERYDAY STRONG WATERTIGHT BOOTS **\$2.45**
MEN'S CHOCOLATE KID PULLMANS, housewears **\$1.95**
MEN'S KID PULLMANS, housewears **\$1.65**
MEN'S KID OXFORD TIES, used for dancing **\$1.85**
BOYS' \$2.75 BOX CALF BLUCHER LACED BOOTS, double soles **\$1.95**
BOYS' \$2.00 EVERYDAY BOOTS, plain but good **\$1.50**
BOYS' BROKEN LINES OF BOOTS, 1 to 5 **\$1.00**
BOYS' \$3.00 ENGLISH FOOTBALL BOOTS **\$2.15**

Ladies' and Misses' Shoes

LADIES' \$5.00 and \$5.50 PATENT BLUCHER LACED BOOTS, dull and tan, suede tops, turns and welts **\$3.50**
LADIES' \$5.00 TAN WILLOW CALF BLUCHER LACED BOOTS, good soles **\$3.95**
LADIES' GUN METAL BLUCHER LACED BOOTS, winter variety, a new-comer **\$3.50**
LADIES' VELOUR CALF BLUCHER LACED BOOTS, broken lines. These won't last long at this price **\$3.15**
LADIES' PATENT COLT AND VELOUR CALF LACED BLUCHER BOOTS, wing tips, perforated vamp **\$2.95**
LADIES' VICI KID BLUCHER LACED BOOTS, patent tips, high Cuban heels **\$2.95**
LADIES' KID LACED BOOTS, patent leather facings, military heels **\$2.65**
LADIES' BLUCHER LACED BOOTS, patent tips **\$1.95**
Our great leader **\$1.65**
MISSSES BOX CALF LACED BOOTS, our best bearing boot, 2 styles **\$1.95**
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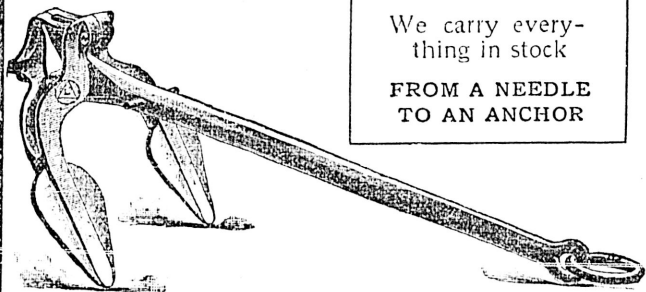
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NEWS OF THE CITY

Christian Endeavour Meeting.
"Bringing others to Christ: Who shall do it? How it is done." The subject of the Christian Endeavour meeting in the First Presbyterian church tonight at 8 o'clock.

Small Fire Losses.
The fire loss during December amounted to only \$255 on property on which insurance was carried to the amount of \$7,000. There were nine alarms.

Wires Underground.
A gang of workmen was engaged yesterday removing the poles along the north side of Belleville street between Government street and Menzies street. The wires are now underground and the appearance of the thoroughfare has been materially improved by the change.

Wires Underground.
The removal of the telephone poles on the James Bay causeway started yesterday and will be completed within a few days. The wires are being placed underground. It is announced from the local office of the B. C. Telephone company that these changes will in no way interfere with the service in the James Bay district.

Grants Decree of Divorce.
Chief Justice Hunter granted a decree of absolute divorce in the case of Smith v. Smith, which came before him yesterday afternoon. Oral evidence was taken, and there was no respondent counsel, Bernard & Robertson appearing for the applicant. During the forenoon Leo Buchanan, of Vancouver, was sworn in before Chief Justice Hunter as barrister and solicitor.

Schorschmidt Resigns.
Dr. P. F. Schorschmidt, for the past eight years superintendent of the B. V. S. department of the White Horse Pass company, having charge of the river and lakes fleet of steamers, has severed his connection with the company, according to reports lately received from the head offices at Vancouver, says the White Horse Star. It is not stated who will succeed "Doc" as fleet superintendent. The retiring official has many friends who will regret his severing his connection with the company and White Horse.

Cost of Typewriting.
The difference in the cost of typewriting tables of evidence as supplied to the appeal books as charged in Vancouver formed the foundation of a lengthy discussion in chambers before the chief justice. J. P. Mann appeared for the defendant in a case and H. Dallas Helmcken, K. C., acted for the plaintiff. Mr. Mann asked that the Vancouver tariff of ten cents a folio for original copies and five cents a copy for manila be adopted locally. Mr. Helmcken could see no legitimate reason for interfering with the Victoria practice. The argument will be continued today.

Mill Bay Road.
By next September, and possibly sooner, the new road from Victoria to Mill Bay will be completed. Michael Carlin, who has the contract, stated yesterday that there were at least one hundred and fifty men engaged in the work at the northern end of the thoroughfare and that excellent progress was being made. That the project would be completed towards the fall there wasn't the slightest doubt. This will give Victoria more direct communication with the Cowichan valley district but perhaps will be of even greater benefit to the residents of that section as they find it extremely difficult to drive to and from the city over the Sooke Hills, within reasonable time.

Was it Birds, Rats, or Mice?
Shortly before Christmas a thrifty Victoria housewife, well known to a wide circle of friends, made a plum pudding after a plan handed down from generation to generation of them that eat such fare, and hung it up to ripen on a nail in a rafter in the basement of her house. The pudding, encased in a cloth, was the size of a football, and of an odor most tempting. However, when Christmas came the pudding was not used, and New Year's passed too without recourse to the pudding. There it hung, big and round just as it had been placed before Christmas. Then, just the other day, the lady in question suddenly decided to make use of the pudding. Consequently she went to bring it from the basement. She reached up to lift it down, and to the bag yielded to her hands. Surprised, she lifted the cloth from the nail. There, on the side that had been turned towards the rafter was a hole large enough to admit her hand, and there wasn't pudding enough left in the bag to fill a cup. The question the housewife and her friends are trying to decide is, what carried off the pudding? If it was mice or rats, how did they climb the rafters? If birds, how did they get into the basement?

Donations to Old Men's Home.
The manager of the Home for Aged and Infirm acknowledges with thanks, and all the inmates take this opportunity of thanking the kind ladies and gentlemen who so thoughtfully remembered them during the Christmas festivities: Mrs. B. W. Pearce, Christmas greetings, tobacco and illustrated London News; Mrs. J. H. Todd, cash \$5, and Christmas greetings; Mrs. G. M. Robinson, clothing, Christmas greetings; Mrs. H. D. Helmcken, illustrated papers, and magazines; and Christmas cards; Mrs. H. K. Prior, Seattle Times; Mrs. R. Dinsdale, clothing; Mrs. Davies, magazines; First Congregational church, bread and cakes; Mr. Charles Kent, tin-bits; Mr. Rye, cabbage; Mr. Jas. Morrison, reading matter; Mr. N. Shakespeare, reading matter; Breeding company, three dozen loaves; Kirk and Co., case of soda; Ald. Bishop, case of Christmas cheer; Mr. Allen, London Weekly Dispatch; Mr. William Fernie, cash \$10, and Christmas greetings; Windsor Grocery Co., bottle of whiskey; C. R. Stewart, pair of turkeys; Christmas greetings; Wm. J. Wigglesworth, goose; Silver Spring Brewery Co., four dozen beer; Mr. Nolte, cash \$5, and Christmas greetings; Mr. J. Levy and Sons, box cigars; Mr. Justice Irving, box cigars and three bottles whiskey; Mr. P. M. Rattenbury, \$1 cash; Mr. Anderson, Copas and Young, whiskey; Standard Stationery magazines and periodicals; Colonist and Times, daily papers; Western Clarion, Mining Exchange, and Christmas War Cry.

THE WEATHER

Meteorological office, Victoria, B. C., at 8 p. m., January 5, 1910: SYNOPSIS.

The barometer remains abnormally high over the Pacific slope and cold weather continues from this to California, while along the coast moderate north and east winds prevail. The weather is turning milder over the northern coast and in Atlin, the severe cold has also disappeared in the Prairie provinces.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	28	38
Vancouver	27	32
New Westminster	24	29
Kamloops	6	18
Barkerville	6	20
Port Simpson	12	26
Atlin	16	32
Dawson, Y. T.	6 below	2 b.
Calgary, Alta.	10 below	2 b.
Edmonton, Alta.	10 below	2 b.
Portland, Ore.	29	32
San Francisco, Cal.	28	46

FORECASTS.
For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific Time) Thursday:

Victoria and Vicinity: Winds mostly northerly and easterly, generally fair, stationary, but higher temperature.

Lower Mainland: Light to moderate winds, generally fair, stationary or higher temperature.

WEDNESDAY.

Highest temperature 28, lowest 25, mean 26.5.

Sunshine, 4 hours.

WEEKLY WEATHER REPORT.

Victoria meteorological office, 28th December to 2nd January, 1910.

Victoria—Total amount of bright sunshine 18 hours and 38 minutes, rain 60 inches, snow 25 inch, highest temperature 42 in 30th, lowest 24 on 2nd.

Vancouver—Total sunshine 26 hours and 35 minutes, highest temperature 42 on 30th, lowest 15 on 2nd.

New Westminster—Rain 11 inch, highest temperature 42 on 30th, lowest 12 on 2nd.

Kamloops—Snow 39 inch, highest temperature 32 on 20th, lowest 4 below on 2nd.

Barkerville—Snow 23 inches, highest temperature 30 on 28th and 29th, lowest 20 below on 1st.

Port Simpson—Rain 1.30 inch, snow 1 inch, highest temperature 25 on 23rd, lowest 14 on 2nd.

Atlin—Snow 29 inch, highest temperature 32 on 28th, lowest 14 below on 31st.

Dawson—Highest temperature 18 on 29th, lowest 28 below on 30th.

Altar Society Meets.

The annual meeting of the Altar society of the R. C. Cathedral was held yesterday at 3.30 in the library of the Bishop's Palace.

Makes Presentation.
H. D. Helmcken, K. C., a few evenings ago presented the Deutscher Verein of this city with a large portrait of His Majesty King Edward the Seventh.

To Consult Capitalists.
Mr. Morse Davis, M. E., has gone to London to consult with capitalists with the object of developing copper and gold interests in the Queen Charlotte Islands and other localities. It is believed that a strong company will be formed and energetic measures of development will follow.

Addressed Mothers' Club.
There was a fair attendance at the meeting of the Mothers' Club yesterday afternoon, when Mr. McGaffey delighted the mothers present by his address on "What Shall We Do with Our Boys?" Mrs. Graves presided and opened the meeting by reading a short poem entitled "The Coming Man." Robbie Remout gave a mandolin selection, and after the address for which a hearty vote of thanks was tendered, Miss Sherwood recited, "I, Mrs. Henderson, Saved Her Boy" and Miss Rhoda Sherwood sang a solo.

The Ladies' Choral Class.
The usual weekly practice of the Ladies' Choral class will be resumed at the Poplars, 1022 Burdette avenue, this evening at eight o'clock. The music of the cantata, "The Sleeping Beauty," having arrived, work will immediately begin upon it with a view to its performance in Easter week. As the time is so limited, Miss Archibutt particularly requests members to be regular and punctual in attendance. A few vacancies still remain. One or two strong contraltos and the same number of high sopranos would be especially welcomed.

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The Week of Prayer.
The week of prayer meetings again showed a most gratifying increase in attendance. The subject for the day was of a more popular character than those that had preceded it. Under the head of "Nations and Their Rulers," there was scope for thought on the forthcoming elections in this city and in Great Britain, for prayers for peace and for preservation from anarchy; for the uplift of the people, the spirit of temperance, the downfall of the opium trade, social evil and gambling. Rev. T. E. Holling conducted the meeting in the Y.M.C.A., many of the ministers taking part. Mr. W. A. Gleason led the evening meeting in the schoolroom of the Church of Our Lord, and the Rev. Mr. Henderson gave the address, bearing on the teaching of Christ on peace and war, the reformation of the criminal, the promotion of temperance, and the overthrow of all evil traffic, and the overthrow of the morals and strength of the community. The special subject for today is "Home and Foreign Missions," one of the most popular of themes. Rev. W. Leslie Day will conduct the afternoon meeting, and Mr. J. L. Black with the evening, at which Mr. R. S. Day will speak.

LATE ARRIVALS.
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NEWS OF THE CITY

Glenemma's New School.

Several tenders have been received at the Department of Public Works for the erection of the new Glenemma school. It is expected that a contract will be awarded in the course of a few days.

New Assessor in Office.

E. E. Leason, the newly-appointed provincial assessor, has assumed charge of that office "over the bay." J. K. Worfold, the former incumbent, retiring upon superannuation in consequence of failing health.

Property Not Bonded.

The Colonist is requested by George B. Martin, owner of the property in question, to correct the misapprehension that the waterfront property adjoining Mrs. Raymur's is under bond either to railway company or private syndicate.

Opens Sanitarium at Sidney.

A new sanitarium, where men and women suffering from nervous affections may be properly treated, has just been established on the Sidney peninsula by Dr. William Gordon Cumming, a graduate of McGill University, and now a resident of the Saanich district. The place is beautifully situated for such an institution, and as soon as it has passed from its infancy, it is thought that patients will be attracted from all parts of the Northwest. It is Dr. Cumming's opinion that no better site could have been selected, and it is his purpose to, in the near future, replace the present structure with an edifice sufficiently large to accommodate hundreds of persons.

Officers Installed

The officers-elect of Columbia Lodge No. 2, I.O.O.F., for the ensuing term, were duly installed last evening by Bro. D. S. Mowat, D.D.G.M., assisted by an efficient staff of grand officers, and are as follows: James Hay, N.G.; N. Benneke, V.G.; R. V. Everett, Rec. Sec.; Wm. Jackson, Fin. Sec.; H. A. Porter, Treas.; H. Bleasdale, War.; W. Adams, Con.; Jas. Pottinger, Chap.; Jas. Patterson, R.S.N.G.; M. McCabill, L.S.N.G.; F. Forner, R.S.V.G.; A. Milne, L.S.V.G.; S. C. Thomson, I.G.; W. H. Lussvick, O.G.; Jas. Huxtable, R.S.S.; E. Dempster, L.S.S. Columbia Lodge, which is one of the wealthiest lodges on the continent of America, has now a membership of 176, being a gain of 10 for the past year. The officers of Victoria Lodge, No. 1, will be installed on Friday evening, and those of Dominion Lodge, No. 1, on Thursday evening, January 13. Colfax Rebekah Lodge will install officers on Tuesday evening, January 11.

Local Option Figures.

Compilation of the official returns of the vote for and against Local Option is progressing at the offices of the provincial secretary, and it is expected that the result of the plebiscite taken in conjunction with the election of members on the 25th November will be announced during the present week, less than half a dozen constituencies having yet to be heard from. Although access to the figures cannot be had for several days at the earliest, it is semi-authoritatively indicated that the result will be found adverse. In other words, the local option proposals have failed to secure the requisite fifty per cent. of the total vote polled on that memorable occasion, and the province will consequently retain the present methods of regulating the liquor traffic in and for British Columbia. An official recount will probably be asked for by the secretary of the local option movement, so soon as the plebiscite is officially announced, and it is expected that this concession will be allowed by the Attorney-General.

Ladies' Musical Club.

The concert to be given on Saturday afternoon at 3.30, by the Ladies' Musical club, promises to be an exceptionally interesting one. French and Russian composers only will be rendered. The programme opens with a brilliant poem, symphonique for two pianos, by Saint-Saens, descriptive of the dance of the skeletons which gather on the tombstones. Their number, at first, are few, but are gradually augmented, and the dancing is kept up at a furious pace until the cock crows in the morning, when they drop exhausted. The duo will be rendered by the well known brilliant pianists, Miss Muriel Hall and Miss Cockrane. Mrs. Harry Pooley will sing "White Fountains," a dainty French chanson, and Miss Harcourt, the English pianist, who has recently come to the city to reside, will contribute a Russian Valse, Miss McKilligan will be heard at the club for the first time in the famous Flower song, from Faust, and Mrs. Hermann Robertson, who is too well known to Victoria audiences to require any introduction, will render a French and Russian number respectively. Mr. Harry Davis, who is always an eager favorite, will conclude the programme with a French song, Vision Fugitive. The second piano used will be a Goulay, kindly loaned by the Bleasdale Co. At a meeting of the executive of the club, held at the home of Mrs. Wesson, Fort Street, on Tuesday afternoon, it was decided to send a special invitation to Mrs. Patterson at Government House, inviting her to become a member of the club, and to be present for the French and Russian programme. It was also decided to issue a public invitation to all gentlemen who might be desirous of enrolling themselves on the club's membership.

Explanation Satisfactory.

Complete and satisfactory understanding was arrived at between Dr. Dyke of Duncan and the court as to the incident of his failure to appear as a witness in the case of Forrest v. Spears in the supreme court before Mr. Justice Gregory on Tuesday when the case was concluded yesterday noon decision being reserved. Dr. Dyke explained that he had refused to respond to the subpoena and that nothing was further from his intentions than a desire to offend the court in any way. He was, however, a very busy man and had under his care cases which demanded his continuous attention. He had, he said, pointed out to those who called him to testify that he would come to Victoria and give evidence if he was urgently required, provided he were allowed due notice so that he might accommodate his practice to his absence. Mr. Justice Gregory heard Dr. Dyke's explanation sympathetically and made all allowances for him. His Lordship stated that he had anticipated that Dr. Dyke's failure to appear could be satisfactorily explained and that if such were not the case he would have issued a bench warrant to compel his attendance. The court which had adjourned on Tuesday afternoon until 2.30 yesterday afternoon, resumed at 12.30 yesterday

afternoon to accommodate Dr. Dyke. The statement of the latter was taken although argument for both sides was already in. Dr. Dyke testified that he had visited the testator, Matthew Marshall, deceased, once or twice and that while he considered the man physically incapable he did not look upon him as incapable mentally. His Lordship reserved judgment.

Lutherans to Build.

At a congregational meeting held in the Sunday schoolroom of the First Presbyterian church last night Grace English Lutheran church decided to take steps immediately toward securing a church home. A number of sites were brought up for consideration but the members were nearly all unanimously in favor of a location near Douglas street in the section building up so rapidly. Mr. C. Klassen, L. P. Fredrickson and W. C. Drahn were elected to serve as a building committee with powers to take what steps may be necessary in securing the site, if the council at a meeting called for tonight approved of it after going into the matter further. Though the membership of the congregation is still small no less than two hundred adherents have become interested in the establishment of the work.

AMUSEMENTS

Pantages Theatre

The Burroughs Company, for its vaudeville, has been very fortunate in securing one of the breeziest and most laughable comedies to be found in the entire list of one-act productions. "A Lesson in Whist" is a domestic mix-up literally crowded with laughable complications and funny situations. It completely fills its meagre time, it elicits continuous laughter. "Zharina," the Egyptian dancer and her beautiful spectacular creation; the Cheaters, acrobats and equilibrists; Cora Hall, vocalist; Arthur Elwell, balladist, and comic moving pictures assist in the making of a splendid show.

BYPATHS OF LIFE

Fuller, Who Stole Ham, Received Heavy Sentence From the Magistrate.

The disposition of Frank Fuller, charged with stealing a quantity of hams and other provisions from the sealing schooner Pescawha, in police court yesterday morning, was short and not particularly sweet. It was shown, when Fuller's case, which was the only case that adorned the docket, was called, that he had been convicted of illegally selling liquor some time ago and had served six months for the offence. It was also shown that he was a ne'er-do-well in general.

When the charge of stealing from the sealing schooner was put before Fuller yesterday he admitted the corn. He pleaded guilty sullenly and when asked if he had anything to say for himself he refused to talk.

The court then sentenced him to three years penal servitude. Fuller was well-known along the waterfront and when he was employed it was in the capacity of longshoreman.

The capture of Fuller, by Detectives Claydars and Hutchinson after he had stolen the bacon and hams was the result of a clever bit of work. The two officers were making their rounds of the waterfront when they were attracted by the appetizing odor which floated up from below the stringer of the wharf. The pair walked to the wharf's edge and sniffed.

OBITUARY NOTICES

John.

The funeral of the late Edwin John who passed away suddenly Tuesday evening at the St. Joseph's hospital will take place from the residence of the deceased at Saanichton tomorrow afternoon at 1.30 p.m. The late Mr. John succumbed to an operation of peritonitis after but a few days illness. Mr. John was one of Victoria's pioneers and in his death he made the journey to his old home in California, where he had arrived in this city in 1864, being attracted as scores of others were by the gold strikes in California.

The deceased was born at Llantrisant Glamorganshire, Wales, October 7th, 1829, and immigrated to America with his wife and one son, first settling in the state of Pennsylvania. In 1854, via Nicaragua, he made the journey to California and during the next ten years mined in these sections. He decided to move to B. C. and after five years in Cariboo, he took up his residence in the Saanichton farming district where he has resided ever since.

Mr. John was preceded in death, by his wife, one son, and one daughter, his wife preceding him by twenty-seven years. Two sons, R. H. John of this city, E. R. John of Saanichton, and one daughter, Mrs. James F. Fell of this city are left to mourn his death.

Flowers will be received at the chapel of the B. C. Undertaking parlors until this evening, from where they will be delivered to the family residence. Interment will be made in the St. Stevens church cemetery, Saanichton.

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W. E. OLIVER AND WATER PROBLEM

Mayorality Candidate Outlines His Policy to Audience of Workingmen

Before a fair sized audience, composed mostly of workingmen, at Laur Hall, last evening, W. E. Oliver, one of the mayorality candidates, outlined his policy with respect to the water question in the event of his securing election. Mr. Oliver went over the same ground which he has covered in his former speeches, elaborating some of the principles of his scheme, and avoiding details as liable to becloud the issue which he wishes to place before the ratepayers.

Edward Bragg occupied the chair at the meeting and in opening dwelt strongly on the necessity of reform in the methods by which civic work was being carried out. The men in charge of public works, he considered, should not only have the good opinion of the city engineer, but also of the mayor and council. In the mayors and councils which had acted in this city up to the present there had been a tendency to shirk responsibilities. Better supervision was needed. Nearly everyone was aware where the weak points were.

He went on to deal with what had been done recently in connection with solving the water question. He related how a water expert had been brought from California and had been paid for the work which he had accomplished before the work had been tested. This was the man who should be held responsible for the inefficiency of the Sooko Lake reservoir. He then introduced the speaker of the evening.

Water and Streets

Mr. Oliver, in his opening remarks, said that he agreed entirely with all that the chairman had said. The main things in his platform were water and streets. In spite of his many assertions, there were some people who still believed that he was connected with the Esquimalt water works. He wanted to once again disabuse the public mind on this head. He had no connection whatever with that company.

Everyone agreed that the water question demanded immediate and final settlement. The scheme which he was proposing was no experiment. It had been tested over and over again in the Old Country. To work it out it was necessary to have the co-operation of the provincial government. The government would have to pass a statute to empower the city to do certain things. The effect of the bill which should be introduced would be to incorporate the south end of Vancouver Island into a water district. When this was done a water board should be created to manage this district, the board to be composed of representatives from the different districts and municipalities. In respect to unorganized districts the representatives should be appointed by the government. The object of such a board was to prevent a clash of interests.

Mr. Oliver went on to describe the method in vogue in the Old Country, as the only solution of an inadequate supply of water in different districts and of general efficiency.

The powers of such a board should be of the largest order. It should be able to expropriate any existing systems, to control waterworks and water at cost price. If profit was made then the profit should go back into the works. If the margin of profit was sufficient then the rates should be reduced.

In the district over which the board exercised authority, it should control every water supply. It should purchase all the supplies necessary for the immediate future, and for a certain number of years ahead. It has got to have powers to enable it to purchase on favorable terms any water supply within its area.

For the financial end of this scheme the board should get power from the provincial government to issue bonds to a certain amount. The security of the payment of interest on the bonds would be the rates. Since the provincial government would be guaranteeing the bonds, it would have representation on the board.

Wanted All Facts

The details of this system, said Mr. Oliver, had been again and again elaborately carried out in the Old Country. He personally was not bound to the scheme which he was now advocating. He wanted all the facts relative to every available water supply collected and placed before the electorate. The ratepayers had never had sufficient information in connection with water schemes. The Sooko Lake bylaw before the electors was the crowning act of folly of the present council. He personally did not know whether it was better to go to Sooko Lake or Goldstream. He did not believe that anyone was at present in a position to judge. He was unaware what the water was costing the city today. He did not believe that anyone knew—the city itself didn't know. (Laughter.)

Alfred Henderson had stated that the cost to go to Sooko Lake would be a million and a half. How on earth did he know? How did anyone know? Contractors scoffed at the idea that this work could be accomplished for \$1,500,000. In connection with the Sooko Lake scheme the ratepayers could not even estimate what possible damages they might be called on to pay for injuring the Esquimalt water works in the laying of pipes from Sooko Lake. They were being asked to vote on a bylaw about which they knew too little. The facts presented to them were of the barest description.

If (Mr. Oliver) were elected, his first duty would be to collect all available facts about every water system in the southern end of the island. He would then place these before the ratepayers and they should judge for themselves. He was in favor of bringing every possible fact of every question raised, before the electors in as an intelligent a shape as possible.

At the conclusion of Mr. Oliver's address, the chairman complained of the fact that the power of the mayor and council were delegated to the heads of departments. It was the duty of the ratepayers to see that the mayor and council got efficient heads for the different departments.

One of the audience here asked Mr. Oliver would he favor the inclusion of the more populous districts of Oak Bay, Esquimalt, and South Saanich in the city of Victoria.

In reply the mayorality candidate stated that he did not consider the question was within the range of practical politics. As Oak Bay and Saanich were municipalities, their consent would be necessary. If it was to the advantage of Esquimalt he would favor

the inclusion of that district as it was at present unorganized.

The questioner went on to ask that as Mr. Oliver favored the settling of the water question by means of centralization, why would he not be good to settle other questions along the same lines.

Mr. Oliver stated that he did not consider that this followed. The water question lent itself to settlement by centralization, whereas other municipal matters were of such a purely local nature, that they could be easily settled by the separate corporations or municipalities interested.

The meeting then came to a conclusion.

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Among the many who during the past two years have come from England to Canada to see with her own eyes what the land is like and to give a report of what was seen, was Mrs. George Cran.

Thus lady looked at this country from the point of view of a nurse and a housekeeper. She tried to see things as they really are and is telling the people of the motherland what she saw and heard. Her articles have been published in many papers and a series is now running in the "Lady," one of the most widely read of the women's publications in the United Kingdom.

Like most of the English women and men, too, for that matter, Mrs. Cran has been greatly impressed with the air of hopefulness pervading the people and the freedom and space of Canada. She is amazed at the industry of the women, who cheerfully accomplish tasks which housekeepers in the old land would consider impossible. She realizes that every industrious couple who settle on the land in western Canada have before them a prospect of plenty and prosperity long before they have reached old age. The contrast between such a life and that of so many in the old land, strikes her sharply. Yet more evident she thinks are the openings of women in this land of hope and plenty.

There is a great need of household servants in this country but the writer is not sanguine about persuading many of her countrywomen to leave England to fulfil this want. In fact, she says that this part of the labor market is badly supplied even in the Old Land.

But there is great need in the newly and sparsely settled districts of women who know how to nurse and are willing and able to take charge of the household.

While the cities are amply supplied with trained nurses, country women are often in lack of help in time of sickness. Englishwomen are advised to prepare themselves to fill this need. No one who knows anything of conditions in country districts can doubt that Mrs. Cran is right. On the islands and in the valleys of this province, both on Vancouver Island and on the mainland, kind, capable women are needed who can for a few weeks care for the mother and perform such work in the house as must be done. As a rule, the families have the means to pay for such assistance, but it is not to be obtained. In the case of the well-to-do farmer the wife is glad to employ some one constantly who shall not only assist with the work but be a companion to her and her children. It is otherwise with those who are struggling to get a foothold in the country. There, the mother is willing and able to care for her household while she is well, but if she is ill she has no one to turn to. To take a long journey to the city or to do without needed attention while she sees her husband add to his own work the care of the children and the house. No wonder recovery is often slow and doubtful. Neighbors, even when they are near, cannot leave their own homes except for short periods. As in our own province, settlement advances, the need for such help will increase and kind, capable, skillful women will have no difficulty in securing such employment in country districts. It may be that there are women struggling in our own cities to make a living who would find in the country more useful and better paid employment.

If the good ladies who form the Friendly Help Society are obliged, in the course of their charitable errands, to pass through more unsavory premises than when on their way to their regular meeting, they are to be pitied. The approach to the stairs in the Market building and the stairs themselves are in a sad state of neglect. It looks very much as if it is the duty of the charitable public of Victoria to provide the society with a more suitable place of meeting as it seems nobody's business to keep the present place in better order. A debt of gratitude is due to the kind ladies who compose this society for the care they take that no one shall suffer from need in the city. The least they deserve is a comfortable room where they may meet to consult with each other.

The increase in the price of milk will press hard on people who are ill able to bear it. Milk is a necessity of life for the little children whether their parents are rich or poor. Even at the present price it is difficult for people in moderate circumstances to buy as much milk as is needed to keep the little ones nourished. It is a food for which there is no substitute that is at all equal in value. The result of the conference to be held this evening will be awaited with interest by all the women in Victoria.

It is hard to see how with the increased price of living, which seems to have extended all over the continent, families are to be brought up in the comfort which we have grown to believe necessary. There is no problem harder to solve than this one of the high prices of the necessities of life. It is one in which women are most keenly interested but it baffles not only them, but the most learned of political economists. It is fortunate indeed for homemakers in this province that wages are good and that there is work for all. If it were otherwise they would fare badly.

There is only one way in which they can hope to cope with the situation so far as food is concerned. There is not among women in Canada, that skill which can with a small expenditure of money furnish the table with nourishing food. To learn to do this is woman's part in lowering the cost of living. There is abroad a false doctrine that liberal spending and even extravagance is to be encouraged. There have been taught that it is a mark of the superiority of our race that we cannot live on simple fare. No greater fallacy is current in this twentieth century. Good food does not mean expensive food. And yet, with our great wheat fields, our broad pasture lands, our immense forests and rich coal fields, why should there be any scarcity? It is all a great puzzle.

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FRIENDLY HELP

Society Holds Monthly Meeting and Hears Reports.

The Friendly Help Society held its regular monthly meeting Tuesday in the room in the market hall. Mrs. Perkin presided and there was a fair attendance of members. The ladies devoted the greater part of the time to closing up the business that arose out of the Christmas donations. It was resolved that to avoid confusion in future visitors' lists must all be in at the last regular meeting before Christmas. A number of letters were read and verbal thanks reported from those who had received packages at Christmas. In most cases it was stated that there would have been no Christmas cheer in the homes but for the generosity of the society and citizens.

A special vote of thanks was passed to the children's school-teachers and B. Paul for the generous contributions of the schools. The following contributions are acknowledged with thanks: New garments were received from Mesdames Geo. Powell, Vincent, T. Watson, Mcicking, Saunders, Hardie, E. Cooper, Otto, Miller, R. S. Day, Ryken, G. L. Perrin, Ballantyne, Wm. Grant, Goodacre, Logan, D. Spedder (bed clothing), S. C. Brooker, McIntosh, Nichols, Stevenson, Miss Lee, friends, Miss E. H. Woods, Miss Blackwood, Miss Bamister, D. R. Ker, two coats sent; Harrison and McDonald, rye, groceries; paper bags, tags, rye, groceries; received from Harrington & McDonald, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Landsberg, Mrs. J. W. Moore, Miss J. C. Niven; and vegetables from Dr. and Mrs. Hermann Robertson; clothing, Mrs. Fellowes, Miss Sorby, Mrs. Abbott, Mrs. P. D. Gaudin, (olquitz), Mrs. Treleay, Mrs. Gaudin, (olquitz), Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Hermann Robertson, Mrs. V. Jacobson, Miss Lee, Mrs. Todd, Mrs. Abbott, Mrs. J. T. Dickson, Mrs. John Vahlo, Mrs. Crotty, Mrs. Shaldeross, Mrs. Rickaby, Mrs. Brown, Wm. Collinson, Mrs. F. Appleton (Gordon Head), Mrs. Heisterman, Mrs. R. S. Day, M. E. Bogart, Miss Battie, Taylor, plain pudding, Mr. Virtue, bed-mattress and chairs.

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On February 2nd in the horse show building at Vancouver, an indoor meet is to be held, the results of which will decide the amateur championships of British Columbia. This city is going to be represented in practically every event. On the last occasion that an Island contingent was sent away on such a mission it was eminently successful, making a clean sweep of almost everything, with the exception of the 100 and 220 yard dashes.

Frank McConnell, the commissioner of track and field sports for the V. A. C. in communication with a local athlete, outlines the programme as follows:

Fifty yard dash, 50 yard low hurdle, 220 yard dash, 440 yard dash, 1 mile, 5 mile, running high jump, 12-lb. shot put, standing broad jump, team relay (open), team relay (McGill University of Vancouver vs. Columbian University of New Westminster), team relay (Victoria vs. Vancouver), and a full list of junior events for boys under 17 years of age.

Mr. McConnell announces that there will be silver cups awarded for first prizes in every instance and that medals will go to those taking second places.

Practical Training

It is thought possible that the Victorians who will enter will have an opportunity of enjoying some practical training before these competitions. Two of the local clubs are considering the advisability of arranging for an indoor meet, namely, the Empire Athletic Club and the Y.M.C.A. It is thought hardly probable that the former will be able to bring off such a feat before that of the Terminal Club because of the preparations that are being made for an amateur boxing tournament. That, however, doesn't affect the Y.M.C.A. and it is not without the bounds of possibility that W. G. Findlay, physical director of that association, has something up his sleeve which will be made known within a few days.

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BROWN NEW OWNER

VANCOUVER, Jan. 5.—The Vancouver baseball team has been sold to Robert Brown, manager of the Spokane Club. A deal, by which he pays \$400 for a three-fifths interest, was concluded today.

spective clubs were in attendance, and kept things lively with vociferous cheering.

BAYLIS TO RACE BURN NEXT WEEK

Local Long-Distance Runner to Run Ten Miles on Thursday With Calgary Athlete

Frank Baylis, Victoria's long-distance man, and Art Burn, who recently met Marsh at Vancouver, have signed up for a ten mile race, to take place at the Assembly Hall rink on Thursday, the 13th inst. A \$100 purse has been hung up, the winner to take all.

While the short interval does not give the Victorian long to train, it is said by his supporters that this cannot be considered a heavy handicap. Baylis is always in such shape that he doesn't take more than a few days to get ready for a grind of anything from five to ten miles. Burn has been running quite a bit of late, and will not require any time to prepare for the test. Both men, therefore, should take the line in tip top form—ready to give local enthusiasts a splendid exhibition.

WITH THE BOWLERS

The Bears played their last match in the Fitzpatrick and O'Connell competition on Tuesday night and were given a rude jolt by the Tigers, who took three straight games.

This defeat made no difference in the standing of the Bears as they had the first place clinched.

Tigers.	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot.
T. Renfrew	145	136	139	420
H. Brewster	140	140	140	420
T. Turner	148	170	155	473
J. Renfrew	124	110	142	406
D. Breckenridge	120	167	99	386

Bears.	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot.
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H. Jameson	122	131	133	389
C. Brooks	110	140	140	420
L. Eberts	107	140	140	387
H. Fetterew	119	115	123	357
G. McIlroy	185	165	130	480

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Score—G. Pirie.

Judge—Mr. McIlroy.

A Special Match.

George Pirie accepted T. Renfrew's challenge for a match on alloys 4 and 5, and defeated him on Tuesday evening by 22 pins.

Both bowlers put up very poor scores but at that the match was very interesting. The score:

	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot.
G. Pirie	152	175	160	487
T. Renfrew	152	151	159	462

Stanley Cup Match

OTTAWA, Jan. 5.—The champion Ottawa team overwhelmed the Galt challengers for the Stanley cup in the opening game of the cup series here tonight by a score of 12 to 3 before a crowd of about twenty-five hundred people. The match was interesting for the first fifteen minutes, but the Ottawas played the challengers off their feet. Lehman in goal and Charlton at point for the Galt team were the only ones who showed any class on the visitors' lineup. Mard Walsh, the champion goal getter of the last year's E. C. A. made a good start for a record this season, making seven of Ottawa's goals. Play was clean and the penalties meted out to either side were light.

"Should Canada send a team to the Olympic games in 1912?" The question already is being asked and quite a strong agitation is taking place favoring the sending of a first-class team to the competitions.

WOULD CONTROL LENGTH OF MEETS

Bill Before Federal Authorities Proposes Limiting Period of Horse Racing

Copies have just reached Victoria of the measure now before the federal House and for which Mr. Wallace is fighting, by which the objectionable features of such race meetings as Victoria knew last summer are to be eliminated or reduced to a minimum by the curtailment of the length of the race meeting. The new bill, which had its first reading on the 15th ult., and is in its entirety (so far as its material contents are concerned)

"1. No person or association of persons, incorporated or unincorporated, being the owner or lessee of or otherwise controlling any racing track or place where horse racing is conducted, shall suffer or permit any trials of speed or race meeting, where horses are entered as competitors in such races or trials of speed, to be carried on or be continued for a period exceeding fifteen consecutive days on which such racing or trials of speed might otherwise be lawfully carried on or be continued for a period exceeding fifteen consecutive days on which such racing or trials of speed might otherwise be lawfully carried on or conducted; and no race meeting or trials of speed shall continue or be carried

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"2. No more than two such race meetings or trials of speed shall be held or carried on during any one calendar year, and there shall be an interval between the last day of one such race meeting or trial of speed and the first day of another such meeting or trial held or conducted at or on the same racing course or race-track or place where horse racing is carried on, of at least forty days.

"3. Every person or manager, being the owner or lessee or controlling any unincorporated racing track or place where horse racing is conducted, and any employee of such person, and every director, manager, officer and employee of any incorporated body owning or controlling any race track or place where horse racing is conducted shall, for any infraction of this act, be liable, on summary conviction, for each offence, to a fine of one thousand dollars, or six months imprisonment, or both."

WHY PEERS

RISK HEALTH

(Continued from Page One)

through the agency of Ulster missionaries in English and Scottish constituencies, were stirring demonstrations. Their spirit was indicated by a huge streamer displayed over the hall such as "We will not have Home Rule," "One life, one flag, one fleet, one crown," "Union between Great Britain and Ireland we will maintain," etc. It only needed a message from Mr. Balfour to rouse the meeting to the fullest pitch of enthusiasm. He telegraphed assuring the Unionists of Belfast that they had behind them. "The same resolute party whose determined resistance to dismemberment of the United Kingdom has twice defeated the policy of Home Rule."

On this side of the Irish Channel, however, little is heard as yet of Home Rule. Ministerialists show no enthusiasm for it, and the Unionists have other things to think of.

The German Scare.

With the German menace it is quite different. Mr. Balfour has seldom spoken with more fire than at Hanley last night.

Mr. Balfour said he would confine himself to the navy, Socialism and tariff reform. He hoped and believed that Germany and England would not come into conflict, but said diplomats of lesser power did not share this view. He insisted that Great Britain was in a position as regards the navy which she had not been in within the memory of living man, indeed her naval superiority on her own seas were threatened within the near future.

"I don't believe," he continued, "there is going to be war between this country and any great foreign power. Heaven knows I don't desire it, and I don't believe it, but please remember that absolutely the only way in which you can secure the peace which you all desire is that you shall be sure of victory if war takes place." (Cheers.)

The empire existed only on sufficiency he said, if her navy was not supreme. He was not content to exist on sufficiency. Mr. Balfour, continuing alleged that Germany was connected with the government, but men of position and character. When they heard tariff reform mentioned actually had the audacity to say: "Do you suppose that we should ever allow Great Britain to adopt tariff reform?" Without wishing to press private conversation excessively, he said this made his blood boil. It was nearly as necessary to organize our productive capacity as to make adequate organization for defence.

Socialism and the budget were avowedly Socialistic, destroyed that confidence without which private enterprise was an absolute impossibility.

As to the tariff, in every country where a tariff has been applied there had been increases in both home and import trade. "That is why I say with such confidence that tariff reform reasonably carried out, will greatly increase employment for the working classes, while the principles underlying the budget will greatly decrease the welfare of those same classes."

Mr. Balfour said that if the people neglected the chance which the courage and patriotism of the lords had given them they would bring on themselves deserved misfortune.

Concluding, Mr. Balfour said: "I believe that tariff reform from the viewpoint of inhabitants of Great Britain is by far the best way of raising revenue. It will give needed security to our producers, and I also look for its effect beyond the seas. Our fellow citizens overseas have given us preference freely, the value of which is unquestioned. They have given us a lead. Are you going to refuse to follow?"

He refused to associate himself with a party which, when invited by those who were their children to take this plain step for closer unity, repudiated with scorn the invitation.

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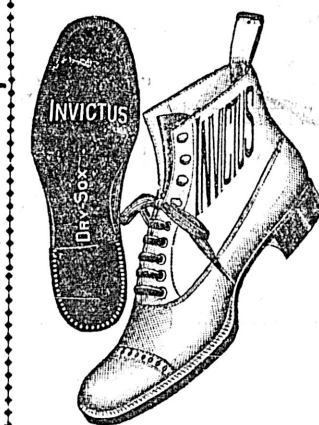
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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. Carew Gibson has been in town on a business visit for a few days.

M. H. C. Morris returned to this city yesterday afternoon from a trip to the city of Seattle.

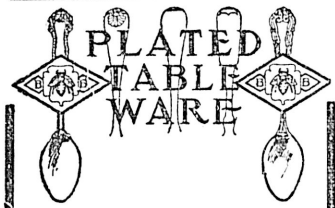
Mr. H. Kent returned home from a visit to the Sound yesterday on the Princess Victoria.

Mr. J. W. Kelly reached here yesterday from Seattle on the steamer Princess Victoria.

Miss M. Dillon reached the city yesterday afternoon on the Princess Victoria from the Sound.

E. Hodgson left yesterday via the Northern Pacific on a business trip to eastern points.

George Sorey left last night via the Northern Pacific on a trip to San Francisco.



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for the success of the nurses dances which they so well deserve.

Rev. A. J. McGillivray, of Vancouver, is paying a visit to the Capital.

Miss Wey has left on a visit to friends in India and Burma.

Mrs. S. Oppenheimer of Vancouver, is visiting with Victoria friends.

Miss Hanna is visiting friends in Vancouver.

Harry Wise, of Iko, is visiting the Capital.

Pole Magistrate G. E. Corbould, of New Westminster, is a visitor in the city.

Mrs. E. J. Pader has returned to her home in New Westminster, very much improved in health.

Miss Marie Blair is the guest of her friend, Miss Flora McKelvie, Mayfair Mansions, Vancouver.

Mrs. A. E. O'Meara and family of Conrad, the new Northern mining centre, are wintering in Victoria.

H. W. and Mrs. Mills, of the Terminal City are among Victoria's guests for a few days to come.

Miss Maida Sommers of Spokane is spending a fortnight with Victoria relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Speed, of Calgary, who have been visiting in the city, left for home last evening.

W. F. U. Copeman, secretary of the Sidney and North Saanich Development League, is a visitor to the city.

John and George Meaden leave tonight via the Empress of Britain on an extended trip to the Old Country.

Thomas Somers has returned to Vancouver, after a few days' vacation visit with Victoria friends.

Mrs. W. J. and Miss Helen White have returned to Vancouver, after a pleasant visit here as guests of Mrs. W. Leslie Clay.

J. Kennedy of Kelowna, is paying a visit in which business and pleasure is combined, to the cities and friends of the Coast.

Dr. Frank Hall left last evening for Seattle to attend Miss Brothout, who is lying seriously ill of typhoid fever there. He returns today.

Miss Sarah Dick and Miss Ariel Westwood, of Nanaimo, have arrived in Victoria to attend St. Anne's Academy.

Mr. Mike King returned to his home in this city yesterday afternoon on the Princess Victoria after a short business trip to the Sound.

Mr. E. Quagliotti, of the Romano theatre, returned from a business trip to Seattle on the Princess Victoria yesterday afternoon.

Messrs. P. Roland and E. W. Thomas were passengers on the Princess Victoria yesterday afternoon from the Sound.

Morse Davis, a well-known mining expert, left last night via the C. P. R. and the Empress of Britain on a trip to England.

Mrs. G. J. Telfer and her daughter, of Haro street, Vancouver, have gone to California, where they will spend the next few months.

Dr. and Mrs. Newton T. Drier, of Vancouver, who have been spending several months in Europe, returned to their home last week.

Captain and Mrs. Gould, who spent their Christmas in Vancouver with relatives, have returned to their home in Simcoe street, Victoria.

Mr. Timothy Sullivan, formerly of Phoenix and widely known in Kootenay, was married to Miss Eva J. McNeill in Vermont, recently.

Among the returning passengers on the Princess Victoria yesterday afternoon from Seattle were Messrs. C. C. Johnson, R. G. Morrison, J. H. Calvert and W. H. Peterson.

J. M. Cole left last night via the C. P. R. for New York, whence he will sail on the White Star liner Adriatic on an extended trip to the Old Country.

Mr. W. H. G. Phipps, of the Vancouver branch of the Bank of Montreal, has been transferred to the Spokane branch, and with Mrs. Phipps will leave in a few days for his new home.

Mr. William Murray, of Vancouver, manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, will leave with his family this week for California. He expects to be away about a month.

Mr. A. G. Larson, superintendent of the Le. Roi mine, Rossland, was visiting in Vancouver on a short visit on his way north where he will visit a number of mining districts.

The marriage of Miss Janet Fielding, daughter of the Hon. W. S. Fielding, minister of finance, to Mr. K. N. McPhee, of London, is arranged to take place on Jan. 13.

The many friends of Mr. Ian St. Clair will be delighted to learn that the operation which he has recently undergone for his eyes has proved successful so far, and that he is progressing favorably.

Mr. A. W. Archard of this city returned here yesterday afternoon on the Princess Victoria from Seattle, to which point he accompanied his wife and Mrs. Bell, who have left for an extended visit to California.

Mrs. W. H. Mawdsley, Hornby St., Vancouver, announces the engagement of her daughter Daisy of Mr. J. Pickman Vroom, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Vroom, St. John, N. B. The wedding to take place in March. Nelson and eastern papers please copy.

Mrs. Baker, wife of Dr. Baker of the Terminal city is the guest of Mrs. Charles Geiger, Victoria West for a few days. Mrs. Baker is placing her young son in the University school, Mt. Tolmie.

The annual fancy dress dance of the nurses of the Royal Jubilee Hospital took place on Monday evening at the nurses' home, which was charmingly decorated for the occasion with ivy, holly, and evergreens. Miss Thain's orchestra was in attendance, and a very dainty buffet supper was served under the direction of Mrs.

Jenner. About 150 invitations were issued and among the guests the following were noticed: Dr. and Mrs. Hasell, Mrs. Guy Warner (merry widow), Mr. Guy Warner (chief), Miss Phyllis Green (Normandy Peasant), Miss Allen (winter), Miss McDougall (Gracie), Miss Cook (president China), Mr. Tom Pemberton (curator), Mr. A. Thur Lane (cardinal), Mr. Thwaites (Rev. Jenkinson of Chicago), Mr. Yorke (Chinaman), Dr. Paul (gypsy), Mr. Vaughan (hospital nurse), Miss Macdonald, Miss Ada Macrae, Miss MacNaughton Jones, Mr. E. P. Colley, Dr. and Mrs. Hermann Robertson, Mr. A. V. Morton, Miss Irene Morton, Mr. Skipton, Dr. George Greaves, Mr. York, Mr. Percy Keefer, Mr. Clarence Pitts, Mr. and Mrs. Ian St. Clair, Mr. Jepson, and many others.

A very charming torcher costume was noticed and also an excellent ghost.

ENDORSES SOOKE LAKE SCHEME

Anton Henderson, Mayoralty Candidate, Spoke at Semple's Hall Last Night

An address by Anton Henderson, one of the four aspirants for mayoralty honors, in which he requested the electors to support the Sooke Lake water bylaw; a breezy speech by Alderman Ross, in which he gave an abridged account of his stewardship, and the introduction to the voters of two of the new aldermanic candidates, W. N. Mitchell and William Birney, were the features of a poorly attended meeting held at Semple's Hall, Victoria West, last evening. The chair was occupied by William Gidley and the proceedings were without serious incident unless the implied criticism of the city council contained in a number of questions hurled at the speakers by George Oliver, candidate in behalf of the Socialist party at the recent provincial elections, or the candid statement by Mr. Ross that an interesting volume could be written on the Victoria engineering department, could be so termed.

Mr. Henderson was the first speaker and he opened by enumerating some of the works that have been accomplished during the past several years. As an instance of what has been done he stated that more than fifteen miles of cement walks and boulevards have been laid during the last three years. Also he spoke of the improvement in the Victoria fire department. With the new equipment purchased and the reorganization conducted by the new chief, Victoria could now boast of one of the finest brigades on the coast. While on the subject of the fire department, Mr. Henderson reiterated his opinion that the market building should be put to better use than at present. There was an immense space that was not being utilized and he thought that it would be a benefit to the community, and something that could be done without difficulty, to convert the structure into a genuine farmers' market place, in short to use the waste space for that for which it was originally intended.

Then Mr. Henderson proceeded to deal with the water bylaw. Its terms, he said, admitted of explanation in but a few words. It was designed to give the municipal authorities power to raise \$1,500,000 for the installation of a water system to bring a supply of water to the city. He had heard reported that Victoria West residents proposed voting against the measure. He did not see why they should assume such an attitude because they would not be called on to pay one cent. The interest and sinking fund on the loan to be borrowed would, he declared, be met out of the water works revenue. With a pipe line through the western section the people would have the power to keep the Esquimalt Water Works company, from which they received their supply, in line. If it did not treat them right and could show good cause for complaint, they would not have far to go for redress. The prices charged for supply could not exceed those levied in the city proper.

If the Sooke Lake water scheme was carried through it would mean that there would be a constant supply of 25,000,000 gallons a day. There would be enough water to furnish Victoria for one hundred years at least.

He was impressed that the scheme was in the best interests of the city and he sincerely hoped that it would be endorsed. In fact, he wouldn't care to be returned if he thought that the ratepayers were going to veto the measure.

While Mr. Henderson did not believe that his prospects of election were bright, because there was a strong contingent working against him, he felt that he had the thinking people as his supporters. Concluding he expressed the hope that those present would see their way clear towards endorsing him, their votes and influence. His record was an open book and everything that he could do in the interests of the community as a whole would receive just as careful attention at his hands as would be accorded his private business.

Advocates Cheap Water

"Cheap water—so cheap that those who use it will not do so considering their pockets." This was the keynote of the address delivered by Mr. Mitchell, one of the new aldermanic candidates who was next introduced. He was from the prairies, he said, and so spoke with some authority when he predicted that Victoria was destined to become the home of thousands of the farmers and business men of that section who had made anywhere from \$25,000 to \$100,000 and were looking for a more equitable climate to take up their residence. This meant that the present water supply was going to be insufficient. Therefore, believing that Victoria was growing to expand, he favored the Sooke Lake scheme. Still it was his opinion that the bylaw, asking for authority to borrow \$1,500,000, should have been submitted at this early date. He did not think that the people had been given a proper chance to become conversant with what was intended. The measure, in a degree, had been thrown at them *hois bolus*.

Referring to the city engineers' department, he said that he was in favor of Victoria securing one of the best engineers, in place of C. H. Topp, that Canada had to offer. If necessary, he would pay him \$10,000. He had heard it stated that it would be possible to pay that much to a capable man and was inclined to believe it.

NEW SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT

Trades and Labor Council Favors New Manner of Transacting Civic Business

The Victoria Trades and Labor Council met last evening, President Walters in the chair. R. Roundeau and W. C. Smith presented their credentials as delegates of the Barbers' International union and were duly initiated.

The treasurer presented his report for the past six months, showing the council to be in a prosperous condition.

The executive reported having met the street railway men and electrical workers with the object of settling some differences that have arisen with regard to jurisdiction but so far had not arrived at any satisfactory arrangement.

The legislative committee reported that after a careful consideration of many systems of municipal government in operation in all parts of the world they had come to the conclusion that the system in operation at Des Moines, Ohio, U.S.A., was by far the best and recommended that steps be taken to inaugurate such a system in the city of Victoria. Full details of the working of the system were fully discussed by the members of the council. The committee, Messrs. McEachren and Charlton were highly commended for the painstaking and thorough manner in which they had done their work.

Suggests Questions.

The committee further suggested that the following questions be submitted to all candidates for municipal office:

Do you favor the introduction of a system of civic government embodying the following features:

1. Mayor and council of four or six elected for a term of at least two years.
2. All to be elected from city at large.
3. All or any of them to be subject to recall on petition of a percentage of voters, say 25 per cent.
4. All the city's business to be divided into departments, each department to be under the control of one of the aldermen or the mayor, who will consult the rest of the board when necessary on the more important undertakings. The mayor and aldermen to give as much of their time as may be necessary to properly do the business, having regular hours set apart for this purpose.
5. The salaries of mayor and aldermen to be placed at figures sufficient to adequately pay them for their work.
6. All franchises, to be subject to referendum, and contracts of any sum above \$200 to be subject to tender.
7. The voters to have the power to initiate any bylaw they may desire on presentation of a petition embodying the by-law and signed by a suitable percentage of the voters, say ten per cent.
8. The voters to have the power to exercise the referendum on bylaws on presentation of a petition signed by a proper number of the voters, ten per cent.

Needs Legislation.

It was pointed out that a system such as that proposed could not be put in operation unless the British North American Act were amended. It was finally decided to ask the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress to bring the matter before the Dominion Parliament with the object of having the matter finally brought before the Imperial Parliament. The "Right of Recall" is the most prominent factor in the system advocated, and consequently a change in the B. N. A. Act will be necessary to enable such a municipal system being put into operation in British territory. After considerable discussion it was decided not to call a public meeting to discuss the subject. But the matter will be placed before the Union of British Columbia Municipalities. And that they may fully understand the subject, all the accumulated information will be furnished them by the council.

The Hon. H. E. Young, provincial secretary, wrote the council regarding the international congress of boards of health, which is to be held in Brussels, Belgium, next September, and asking the council to assist the preparation of the information regarding the disinfecting information that the members of each trade or calling is mostly subject to. The letter was warmly received by all the delegates, and it was decided to assist in every possible way and the president was instructed to prepare a list of questions that will be submitted to all unions with the object of getting the information desired. The president announced that he would consult with the Hon. Dr. Young, Dr. Fagan, chief of the provincial board of health, and Dr. Robertson, city medical health officer, and after doing so would no doubt be in a position to take the most effective steps towards obtaining the desired results.

Hours of Labor.

V. Clothier, chairman of the special committee on bill No. 21, regarding the hours of labor, wrote asking for all the information on the subject that the unions could possibly furnish, and pointing out that the committee was very anxious to thoroughly investigate the subject before making a report to Parliament. The secretary and executive were instructed to comply with the request in every detail.

G. H. Barnard, M. P., wrote the council re Verville's 8-hour bill and enclosed a copy of the same with comments thereon. The secretary said he wrote and thanked Mr. Barnard for his kindness in keeping the council posted on the matter of interest to labor. On motion the council approved the secretary's action.

The president pointed out that Martin Barnard, M. P., had strongly supported the bill and pointed out that the 8-hour system was and had been working well in his constituency. The council unanimously favored the bill, while they did not deny that it might be a little awkward to put it into operation in some districts, but claimed that the difficulties would soon be got over and the law recognized, as was always the case in Canada.

Appointed Deputy.

At the annual meeting of the New Westminster Portage Board, just held, the announcement was made that P. Maxwell has been appointed deputy harbor master for the port, at the request of Harbor Master Shilkes, who (owing to ill health) finds it impossible at times to give the required attention to the duties of his office.

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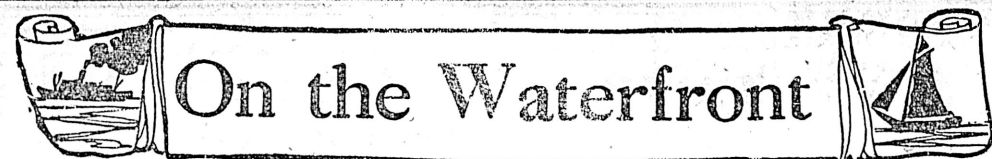
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Montara Libeled

A libel of \$5,000 has been placed on the steamship Montara of the Pacific Coast Steamship company by the Puget Sound Navigation Company, owners of the steamship Chippewa, which was bumped and damaged by the Montara early Saturday morning, after the latter

had broken loose and pursued an expensive course down the East Waterway at Seattle, where she damaged several other vessels. Other libels will probably be placed on the Montara by owners of the Benicia and Northwest, to compensate them for cost of repairs.



PRINCESS MAY FROM SKAGWAY

C. P. R. Liner Makes Fast Run
From Lynn Canal and Way
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MINERS BRING
BALLOTS FROM INTERIOR

Arrive at Prince Rupert After
600 Mile Trip—Big Fire
at Carcross

The steamer Princess May returned from northern British Columbia ports early yesterday morning, with 51 passengers, after a fine trip. Good weather was experienced throughout, and the liner made a fast run, reaching port a day in advance of her schedule. News was brought from the Skeena that there is much ice in the river, and the Princess May was unable to dock at Port Essington owing to the ice. News was brought from Skagway of a disastrous fire at Carcross, the Caribou hotel, two stores, and the depot of the White Pass and Yukon railroad being burned. The Caribou hotel, which was part of the estate of the late Dawson Charley, an Indian who accumulated riches during the Klondike rush, with its contents, was valued at \$10,000. Frank McPhie's general merchandise stock destroyed was valued at \$1,200, and George Fickhart's loss, in building and stock of groceries, was \$4,200. The depot and fixtures was valued at \$1,000. R. Lowe & Co. lost \$400 worth of goods stored. In the customs room Deputy Collector Simmons lost his papers and a large collection of mounted moose heads. Shortly before the Princess May left Prince Rupert the party sent to bring the ballot boxes from the Oatsoke, Francis lake, and other interior points, reached the northern port via the Skeena. The party, which included Hugh and Luke Harris, R. O. Jennings, B. Mulvaney, J. Milley, J. Verne, and C. M. Huff, made a trip of over 600 miles with the ballots. They were printed at Prince Rupert, and sent up by special messenger to Hazelton, the Harris brothers taking them to the farthest polling booths in the district and back down to Prince Rupert, where they have been turned over to the returning officer, M. M. Stephens. In this trip, which started on the 22nd of November, all kinds of weather conditions were encountered. At

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By Government Wireless.
Tatoosh, 7 a. m.—Part cloudy; wind E. 2 miles; bar. 30.01; temp. 36. Sea smooth. In: Steam schooner, Callie, at 1.30 a. m.; 3-masted ship, William H. Smith.
Cape Lazo, 8 a. m.—Clear, calm; bar. 30.56, temp. 31. Sea smooth. Pachuca, 8 a. m.—Cloudy, calm; bar. 30.16, temp. 31. Sea smooth. Estevan, 8 a. m.—Overcast, wind E. 2, bar. 30.48, temp. 35. Sea smooth. Tatoosh, noon—Cloudy; wind E. 12 miles; bar. 30.60, temp. 34. Sea smooth. Passed in: Steamer at 9.35 a. m. steam schooner at 11.55 a. m. Passed out: Schooner George Billings at 11 a. m.
Cape Lazo, noon—Cloudy, calm; bar. 30.56, temp. 31. Sea smooth. Kestral southbound at 8.15 a. m. Quadra at Chatham Point beacon at 10 a. m.
Point Grey, noon—Cloudy, calm; thick seaward; bar. 30.51. In: Queen City at 11.15 a. m.
Pachuca, noon—Cloudy, wind S. E.; bar. 30.45, temp. 35. Sea smooth. Steamer President bound in.
Kestral southbound at 8.15 a. m. E. 2, bar. 30.41, temp. 16. Sea moderate. Spoke: Shimano Maru, 200 miles off here.
Point Grey, 6 p. m.—Clear, thick seaward; bar. 30.42, temp. 46. Sea smooth. No shipping.
Cape Lazo, 6 p. m.—Clear, south-east wind; bar. 29.93, temp. 47. Sea smooth. No shipping.
Tatoosh, 6 p. m.—Clear, southeast wind; bar. 29.95, temp. 37. Sea moderate. In: Steamer President, 3.25 p. m., and 3-masted barkentine, Tachewat, 4.30 p. m.
Wind, bar. 30.65, temp. 56. Sea smooth. No shipping.
Tatoosh, 6 p. m.—Clear, south-east wind; bar. 30.65, temp. 47. Sea moderate. Spoke: Shimano Maru, southbound in latitude 49.15 north, and longitude 121.05 west, at noon.

Francis lake the thermometer dropped to 40 below, while at the lower end of the Skeena the party found rain. The election in the farthest polls was postponed for four days so as to allow time to get the ballots in. These men learned to follow the line trail in the Yukon, and have a fine dog team, brought from there last summer, and were, therefore not unprepared to endure the hardships of such a trip. Ordinarily they are miners, Hugh having been one of the fortunate men in the Hazelton country, where he recently sold out his interest in the Silver Cup group for a goodly sum. Mr. Harris still holds interests in claims in the district, which also promise good things. The season last summer was anything but conducive towards good prospecting, and for that reason much less was found than otherwise might have been the case.
News was brought from Prince Rupert that Charlie Perry has been appointed Indian agent for the Queen Charlotte Islands, and has gone to Massett to take up his work.
The Royal Bank opened a branch at Prince Rupert on Monday in premises leased in the Alder block, on the corner of Sixth street and Third avenue.

GERMANICUS ADDED TO RAIL-CARRIERS

Coasting Laws Amended to
Allow of Foreign Steamers
Handling This Business

Another steamer has been chartered to carry a cargo of rails from Cape Breton to Prince Rupert. The German steamer Germanicus, Capt. Brendt, formerly a collier running between Nanaimo and San Francisco for the Western Fuel Company, left the Tyne on December 15 for the Dominion Coal, Iron and Steel Company's works at Cape Breton to bring another full cargo of rails for the Grand Trunk Pacific Railroad. The Tropic left Cape Breton on December 5 with a full cargo of rails and the Cape Breton left Sydney, C. B., with 6,800 tons of rails on December 21. From Baltimore three Norwegian steamers are en route with rails, the Sisa, Alden and Thode Faglund.

A literal observance of the coastwise laws would prevent the steamers under foreign flags from bringing rails from Cape Breton for Prince Rupert, but the Dominion government recently made a modification of the order-in-council made to prevent foreign and other steamships from flying the British flag from competing in the coastwise trade of Canada to allow of the rail carriers handling this business. The order was made allowing steamers to handle cargoes between two Canadian ports by way of the Straits of Magellan.

The Thode Faglund was recently given the privilege of running between two United States ports. Before leaving Philadelphia the Thode Faglund loaded all the bunker coal, Capt. Nilsson knowing that the farther he got from the American coal market the higher its price would be. He accordingly loaded up to his 2,000 tons capacity. He then sailed for Baltimore to load 5,200 tons of steel rails which he was chartered to carry to Guaymas, on the west coast of Mexico. When he had loaded to the Norwegian underwriters' mark, he was short 100 tons of cargo and decided to unload an equal weight of bunker coal. Here the customs officers stepped in and forbade it on the ground that foreign vessels are prohibited from carrying coastwise cargo. An appeal to Washington was necessary to allow the vessel to proceed with her full cargo.

The Germanicus, the latest rail-carrier added to the fleet bringing metals for the G. T. P., is well known at this port, as is also Capt. Brendt, her master. He has a big collection of weapons gleaned in many lands in his cabin, including swords from several Oriental nationalities, kris from Malay, weird-looking knives from the African coast and curios of many kinds. It was, however, his habit of arriving off the outer wharf when upbound from San Francisco in ballast for coal at Nanaimo and blowing his vessel loud

and with prolonged blasts that caused him to be best known, and, incidentally, complained off.

UNION COMPANY'S STEAMER WRECKED

Waikare Lost on the New Zealand Coast—All Passengers Were Saved

INVERCARGILL, New Zealand, Jan. 5.—The British steamer Waikare has been wrecked on the rocks while entering Dusky Sound. All passengers were saved.

The Waikare is one of the coasting steamers of the Union Steamship Company, which operates the Canadian-Australian line among its services, and was a vessel of 3,711 tons gross, 1,905 tons net. She was built in 1897 by W. Denny & Bros. of Dumbarton and was 201.1 feet long, 41.1 feet beam and 21.5 feet deep. Captain J. Gibb, of the partial Makara, best of the company's fleet, was the first master of the Waikare.

ALBERTA OATS FOR PHILIPPINES

United States Orders Three Thousand
Tons From Northwest for
the Islands

Three thousand tons of Alberta oats have been contracted for shipment to the Philippine Islands via Vancouver and Seattle, and the movement of this grain westward has already commenced. The shortage of oats in the Philippines is said to have prompted the placing of a rush order for the Alberta product for the United States government.

FISHERIES OF NORTHERN WATERS

Activities of the Pacific Coast Fish
Company Which Has Station
at Selwyn Inlet

Chas. Morris, the original promoter of the Pacific Coast Fish Company, is in town this week, says the Prince Rupert Optimist. Mr. Morris is a man who places more faith in the fishing industry surrounding Prince Rupert than in her mineral possibilities. The company's steam trawler Kingsway is now ready to start work in earnest. The cold-storage plant at Pacific, situated on Selwyn Inlet, Morsey Island, is practically completed and ready to produce ice. The Kingsway has been supplying the Claxton cannery for a short time past, but will soon start in to her regular work. A number of the men are expected to arrive on the next boat up from Vancouver and will proceed to the station. Halibut are not so plentiful now as they will be later in the summer, but the immense number of fish which the trawler can catch is of value the year round. The dogfish are proving to be a great asset in the manufacture of oil and fertilizer. The ever-increasing market for the latter assures a quick sale for all that can be produced. The demand for the sole, the flounder and many of these flat bottom fish is increased wonderfully, and the company are assured of a ready market for these fish, which stand the cold-storage treatment probably the best of the salt water fish. The black cod, and in fact all the cod, is becoming recognized as being the most valuable fish in salt water. This cod caught off these banks is found nowhere else in the

world and is rapidly becoming a staple food. It is caught in great quantities in about 200 fathoms of water, and, apart from its name, is one of the best foods taken from the sea. The sea cucumber, which is mostly looked after by anyone who is superstitious, is on account of its appearance has also a food value—in China, however. These cucumbers are hauled out by the trawlers in immense quantities, appearing to the uninitiated a slimy mass of pulp; but to the wise ones a wholesome consignment of tit-bits for the Celestial appetite. These cucumbers are boiled in salt water and then salt open and dried, and are eagerly sought by the oriental market.

Mr. Morris predicts a most brilliant future for the fishing industry of the Pacific, and that in the immediate future. Mr. Morris referred to a conversation he had with Charles M. Hayes in which the latter had assured him that every possible effort was being put forth to preserve these waters for Canadian industry, and that the company were well aware of the traffic possibilities which were waiting the completion of the road. The island will be well looked after.

ORION HAS TAKEN SIX LARGE WHALES

Tees Brings News of Success of Winter Hunting—Arrivals From the Island Coast

The steamer Tees, which is back from Clayoquot and way ports of the west coast of Vancouver Island, brought news that the steam whaler Orion, which went to Sechart to resume whaling two weeks ago, has taken six whales since her return. The west coast whaling station, it was decided where the winter gales set in last December to close the west coast stations at Sechart and Kyquod and confine the work of the Orion and St. Lawrence to the waters of the Gulf of Georgia, their catch being taken to the station at Page's lagoon near Nanaimo. Recently it was decided to try whaling off the west coast, and the Orion was sent to Sechart. The Tees brings news of the success of the work, six whales having been taken mostly in Barkley sound, and taken to the Sechart station. The St. Lawrence was shortly after the Orion.

The Tees made a good run. Among the passengers of the steamer were Mrs. Macdonald, wife of the caretaker of the big sawmill at Mosquito harbor, who came down to enter the hospital owing to illness; Mr. and Mrs. Bergasse, from Cloness; Mr. Garwood, of Clayoquot; Dr. Ker and family, from Alberni; Messrs. Sothern and Willoughby, from the Pacific Cable station at Handfield creek; J. Williams, of Port Renfrew; Mr. Buckmaster, from the northwest, and Messrs. Lowe and Denovan, bound to New Westminster. The steamer will leave again for the west coast on Monday night.

SHINANO MARU TO ARRIVE TODAY

Japanese Liner Reported by Wireless and Is Expected to Reach Outer Wharf Today

The steamer Shinano Maru, of the Nippon Yusen kaisha, was reported by wireless yesterday and is expected to reach port this afternoon from Yokohama and the usual ports of call in the Pacific. On her return to Japan the Shinano Maru will be placed in the European service of the Japanese line. She has 14 first-class passengers, including 3 Chinese, and 204 Chinese to discharge at this port. The Shinano Maru is the last of the six steamers formerly used in the trans-Pacific service of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, and following her there will be no vessel filling this line for two months. The Sanuki Maru was to have sailed from Japan a month after her, but the Tokyo Steamship company has withdrawn the Sanuki Maru and been unable to secure another vessel to take her place. The next sailing from Yokohama will be the Awa Maru, which leaves on February 15th, followed by the Inaba Maru, sailing a month later.

The Empress of Japan left Hong-kong on January 1st, and is scheduled to leave Yokohama on Tuesday, being due at this port on January 21st. The Antiochus, of the Blue Funnel line, is to sail from the Japanese port on the last leg of her long voyage from Liverpool on Sunday. The American, which is scheduled to leave Yokohama on December 29th, but she is understood to be behind her schedule.

BEGAN STEAMSHIP LINE FORTY YEARS AGO

Capt. W. E. George, Oldest North Pacific Pilot, Has Anniversary of Constantine's Trip

Capt. W. E. George, the well known pilot, who antedates all other pilots in service in British Columbia or Puget Sound waters, has just celebrated the fortieth anniversary of opening the Alaska mail steamship service. Forty years ago he took the steamer Constantine, a small iron steamer—the first iron vessel to enter northern waters—to Alaska from Port Townsend, flying the house flag of the Alaska Commercial Company. The Constantine had been built at Newcastle, England, for the Russian fur company as a trading vessel, but with the taking over of Alaska from Russia by the United States government the steamer never started the service for which she was built, being turned over to the Alaska Commercial company by the Russians. Capt. George had two years before, in 1867, when the ceremony of raising the United States flag at Sitka was held—taken the steamer Fidelity north for the Alaska Commercial company, she being a small wooden vessel formerly owned by the coal company at Nainaiquo, and when it was decided to inaugurate a mail steamship route to Alaska, he made the first trip in October, 1869, in the iron steamer Constantine, from Port Townsend, calling at Wrangell, Port Tongass, where the United States government then maintained a military post, and Sitka.

PRINCESS ENA CHANGED HER CREW

Dockhands Didn't Want to Make Deep-Sea Trip and New Seamen Were Signed

When it was noised about in the circle of the C.P.R. steamer Princess Ena that she was about to start on a deep-sea voyage, carrying fertilizer from the west coast whaling stations to San Pedro, all hands suddenly evinced a desire to get ashore. The dockhands all quit, and a new crew was secured and signed on by the shipping master before the steamer

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sailed from the C.P.R. wharf last night for Alberni and the whaling stations at Sechart and Kyquod. The Princess Ena took a big steam shovel, loaded at Leizumith, and railroad car, loaded with material for the C.P.R., and goes from there to Sechart and Kyquod to load for her southern trip. After discharging at the California port the Princess Ena will proceed to San Francisco to load plaster and general cargo for Victoria.

WELLINGTON WILL NOT BE REPAIRED

R. Dunsmuir & Sons Decide to Tie Up the Collier and Crew Will Be Paid Off

The steamer Wellington will not be repaired. The injuries to the collier as a result of the recent stranding on the Ballinacres and in Nanaimo harbor were found to be small, being confined to the keel about amidships, when the vessel was hauled out recently on the ways of the Victoria Machinery depot. The owners, however, decided to tie up the vessel and, for the time, the damage will not be repaired. The crew will be signed off today.

REPAIRS TO GEORGIA ARE EXTENSIVE

At Least Twenty Plates Affected by Collision With Breakwater at Salina Cruz

The repairs to the steamer Georgia of the Canadian Mexican line necessary because of her collision with the breakwater at Salina Cruz on her recent voyage to Mexican ports will be more extensive than was anticipated. When the cement patches, set in the hull against the steamer's sides, were broken away it was found that at least twenty-five plates will have to be replaced, many of them to be replaced with new plates. The repairs will be done by the Victoria Machinery depot in the drydock at Esquimalt and it is expected that the work will occupy at least two weeks.

UNITED STATES FIRM'S NERVY PROPOSITION

Sought Subsidy From Ottawa Government Through Canadian Representative

An example of what the Americans call "nerve" or "gall" is furnished in the application to the Canadian government, by an American interest under the guise of a Canadian firm, for a subsidy of \$25,000, says Screen and Shipping. If this amount is given yearly, the company declares it will keep up a monthly freight service between St. John and Cuba, making the stipulation, however, that the vessels have the privilege of calling in at an American port on the return to St. John from Cuba. The firm under whose name the subsidy is asked for is William Thompson and Co., and it is known they represent Messrs. Munson and Co., of New York. At present, the Elder Dempster line maintains a good service to Halifax, and they, too, have made application for an increase of \$25,000 to their existing \$50,000 subsidy. For the additional amount an extended service is offered to St. John, as at present the steamers call in only at Halifax. The call at an American port, so nicely set forth by the Thompson people, says our Montreal correspondent, practically means no return cargoes for Canada, as New York or Boston would get all the Cuban sugar that the Elder Dempster line now brings to St. John.

St. Denis Sails.

The steamer St. Denis of the Boicovitz Steamship Company sailed last night for northern B. C. ports, inaugurating a new schedule with sailings from Victoria every Wednesday.

New Coasting Boat.

Another steamer has been added to the vessels running from Vancouver to points up the coast as the Lithia, Capt. Witter, is now making daily trips as far as Port Mellon. Port Mellon is situated on Gambier Island, about 26 miles up Howe sound. The Lithia leaves Hind Bros. wharf at Vancouver at 9 o'clock every morning except Sundays, and makes calls at Caulfields landing, Point Atkinson, Eagle harbor, Bowen Island hotel, West Bay and Gambier Island, returning to Vancouver in the evening. The Lithia is a vessel 60 feet long with 10-foot beam and has a speed of 12 knots.

Ningchow Loading.

The Blue Funnel liner Ningchow, Captain Allen, will sail for Sound ports from Vancouver this morning. The Ningchow is taking over 40,000 cases of salmon and over 100,000 feet of lumber. The Capilano arrived at Vancouver yesterday morning from Nanaimo with 250 tons of salt herring, which will also be shipped on the Holt steamer. The Ningchow has still a good sized cargo to be discharged at the Sound ports and will go to Comox to discharge steel rails and also to take coal. She will then proceed to Seattle and Tacoma and finish unloading and load her cargo for the Orient.

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The following is the result of the butter-fat tests made by the city inspector during the months of November and December, 1909, from samples of milk taken from the carts of the different vendors doing business in the City of Victoria, in accordance with bylaw No. 349:

Cosler	3.8, 3.1
Joe Rogers	3.8, 3.9
E. and T. Raper	3.9, 3.2, 3.2
W. Webster	3.8, 3.3
Finerty & Sons	4.0
Simpson & Sons	3.6
C. E. King	3.6
S. E. Palmer	4.0, 4.1, 3.8
W. Sortwell	3.4, 3.4, 3.9
George Rogers	3.8, 4.0
G. Heatherton	3.8, 4.1
Blighman	3.4
W. E. Hill	3.4
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OPPOSE CHANGES IN PILOT SERVICE

Text of the Circular Submitted
From Ottawa to Pilots of
British Columbia

The recommendations made for the centralization and amendment of the pilotage service of British Columbia coast pilots, which the deputy minister of marine and fisheries at Ottawa has referred to the various boards in British Columbia, are as follows:

"That a rearrangement of the pilotage service of British Columbia coast pilots be established under a board consisting of representatives from the different ports.

"That all pilots admitted to the service have to undergo regular annual examinations by the board.

"That when, through disability or old age, they become incapable of navigating steamers with safety, that they should be required to retire on an allowance.

"That junior pilots should be engaged from experienced seamen, with, if possible, master certificates of efficiency in the British or Canadian service.

"That a rearrangement of the pilotage rates in proportion of the services rendered, but which will be sufficient to give each pilot not less than \$150 per month guaranteed.

"That the pilot station be established at Williams Head, near Victoria, where all vessels pass on their inward and outward passage, and that pilots be taken in their order and shall take them to their destination.

"That the pilotage be compulsory on all steamers over 14 feet draft of water, except such vessels as are engaged in regular existing business, who shall be allowed exemption from pilotage, provided their captains undergo an annual examination of efficiency and pay an annual fee towards the support of the pilot service."

Oppose Change

The circular has been much discussed, and the Vancouver and New Westminster pilots have placed themselves on record against the proposed changes. Captain C. Gardner, joint secretary of the Vancouver pilotage authority, speaking at the annual meeting of the pilots at which much opposition to the project developed, said: "It would cause great inconvenience to Vancouver to have pilots stationed at Williams Head. Many ships from the Sound and Alaska did not go near Williams Head. Then, too, if a ship's master came to him and demanded a pilot, he might have great difficulty in securing one within the twenty-four hours allowed by the regulations.

"As a final argument, the secretary of the pilotage board referred to the board's by-laws and regulations which had been compiled after consulting the boards at Victoria, Kamano and New Westminster, and had then been approved by Ottawa. This had been done as late as 1907, and only after the Dominion authorities had made a thorough investigation of conditions on this coast.

"The New Westminster pilots are also opposed. The Royal City board declared itself against the change on account of the fact that different conditions obtain on the Fraser river to those obtaining on the ocean and Gulf.

"It was pointed out that local pilots are necessarily much better informed as to the varying conditions in the river than are deep sea pilots, and are, therefore, much more capable of handling craft in the river. The whole proposition which the board here has turned down was to establish a pilot station at Williams Head near Victoria, where all vessels pass inward and outward, and that pilots be taken aboard at this station, thence to conduct the vessels to their destination.

SALT HERRING FOR CHINESE CONSUMERS

United States Consul at Hongkong
Writes of Business Done From
British Columbia.

The United States vice-consul general at Hongkong, S. J. Fuller, has made a report to his government regarding the business done with the Chinese in salt herring from Nanaimo. He says: "The importation of salt and dried fish from the American side of the Pacific was originally started here by the Chinese in a very small way some years ago. About two years ago one or two European firms started importing herring and began to develop it. The non-Chinese importation is still largely in the hands of these one or two firms. The first deliveries of the season usually reach here in December or in January, and is sold within the month chiefly to the British Columbia. Some small quantities are received from San Francisco, but this is only during the summer when British Columbia herring cannot be obtained. One thousand cases a year would probably cover the entire requirements from San Francisco.

"The herring come packed in cases, four of which are supposed to make a gross ton of 2,240 pounds. In the case of the British Columbia herring, considerable fault is found with the packing. It is alleged that in each case, put up and the variation in weight a source of considerable annoyance and loss. The cases are made of 1 1/2 inch deal, and it is probable that when new they weigh about 75 pounds empty. When they are however, they have soaked up sufficient moisture from the contents to bring their weight up to 90 or 92 pounds. Theoretically 2 per cent weight shrinkage in the net content of fish is regarded as reasonable. In practice, it is found that the shortage between the billed weight and the actual weight is from 8 to 40 per cent.

"The trade is an increasing one. The commodity is gaining favor with the Chinese, and it will not be many years before the demand for herring will reach 3,000 cases per month. Estimates as to the quantity imported at the present time vary from 11,000 to 25,000 cases for last season."

Sixty Locomotives Ordered
DUNKIRK, Jan. 5.—Orders were received at the American Locomotive company for sixty engines. Forty are for the Lake Shore and twenty for the Nickel Plate.

Will Take Machinery
When the Princess Beatrice leaves on the 14th of this month for the north she will take aboard her cargo a consignment of machinery and mining supplies for the Red Cliff mine in the Portland Canal mining camp. Among the shipment will be 6,000 feet of steel rails, a compressor and an electric light plant, and a locally known outfit. These supplies will be

taken direct to Stewart, being the first time that a C. P. R. boat has made a call there. The service from Stewart to Vancouver, it is said by recent arrivals there, is very poor at present, two weeks having been the time taken by these people to make the trip from Stewart to this city.

Steamers in Collision
LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 5.—The Hammond Lumber Company's steamer George W. Fenwick, Capt. Miller, arriving at San Pedro tonight from Astoria with 2,300,000 feet of lumber, reports that on December 21 she was in collision at Tongue point, on the Columbia river, with the steam schooner Coaster, owned by Charles H. Higgins, bound for San Francisco. The after quarterdeck of the Fenwick was damaged. The bow of the Coaster was wrecked. After the collision both vessels proceeded.

CONSTITUTIONAL POINT RAISED

Court of Appeals Continues
Sessions—Summary List
Set Down

What has lordship, Chief Justice Macdonald, of the new court of appeal, described as "a most interesting constitutional point" was raised by Mr. Stuart Henderson, ex-M. P. P. of Ashcroft, yesterday afternoon in the course of his argument on the points in Rex vs. Walker and Chisler, an appeal from the sentence of death pronounced by Judge Morrison at the Clinton fall assize following the trial and conviction of the prisoners on a charge of murder.

The point in question was the first taken up by Mr. Henderson, and he set off at that the assize was irregular, no commission of assize was issued or read, as required by common law, the provincial act abolishing commissions of assize being, Mr. Henderson argued, ineffective as to criminal cases. He admitted that the act to abolish such commission was within the powers of the provincial legislature so far as the constitutionality of the court was concerned, but maintained that so far as that act affected criminal procedure it was unconstitutional.

At the opening of assizes in England, Mr. Henderson further contended, the commission is read and, in order to do away with the reading of the commission in this country, it would be necessary to have a federal statute which at present does not exist.

In reply to a query from the chief justice as to whether or not he wished to draft such a statute for enactment Mr. Henderson laughingly replied that he had no desire to touch that phase of the matter as he was through with politics for the time being anyway.

A Reserve Case

The appeal in which Mr. Henderson argued is a reserved case and has to do with one William Hinkley and one Robert Walker, both of whom were found guilty of murdering a kiltchman at the Indian rancherie near Salmon Arm. The two were sentenced to be hanged on the 25th of last month after a verdict of guilty was brought in at the assize. Mr. Henderson, at the request of Mr. Henderson, the defendant counsel, a reprieve until February 20 was granted and Judge Morrison reserved eight questions for the appeal court.

The first question of the constitutionality of the non-reading of the commission, Mr. Henderson raised the point that Attorney-General Bowser had made statements to be jury at the opening of the trial, which statements were read afterwards, brought out as facts in evidence. Mr. Henderson also objected to the interpreter called by the crown to translate the Indian evidence, setting off that this interpreter was an ex-convict and objecting especially to the fact that the Indian evidence in the case was all given through this man. Mr. Henderson further objected that the admission of the anti-Chinese statement of the deceased woman was irregular, and that Attorney-General Bowser, in this regard, did not follow himself in matters in reply but discussed the case just as if he had addressed the jury first. He also objected to a number of statements in the judge's charge to the jury and set up that all the proceedings after the verdict were incomplete.

Deputy Attorney-General McLean argued that the attorney-general had had no intention of making statements to the jury which could not be proved later in evidence, but that the evidence in this case was read out by the court because it was to have been given by the wife of one of the accused, and was therefore held not regular.

Mr. Henderson declared that this was not an argument as the attorney-general should have known that such evidence from a wife against her husband could not be admitted in a murder trial.

Continues Today

Their lordships considered the points in the case at great length and the chief justice, in adjourning court to this morning, indicated that their lordships would hear a continuance of the argument today and would refer certain of the questions back to the learned trial judge on grounds and with recommendations to be given.

The court considered its first decision yesterday when it upheld the conviction of the accused in the criminal appeal in Rex vs. Sticker, from Judge Wilson at Cranbrook. The appellant was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary on a charge of having stolen money under false pretences. He disposed of a diamond to one Dunlop, which, the latter afterwards discovered, was not the genuine stone he was led to believe it was.

J. A. Harvey, K. C., for the appellant, argued that a plain fact was irregularly admitted into the court after hearing the argument occurred, the appeal.

The conclusion of argument in Rex vs. Walker today will end the criminal appeal list. The summary list for today is as follows: Rex vs. Walker, John vs. A. S. Stoddard vs. Railton, Johnson vs. Clarry, Bingham vs. Powell, Krzus vs. Crow's Nest Coal Co., Topping vs. Marling, Dunsmuir vs. Last Chance, and Caudet vs. Golden Giant Mines.

Roller Not in Danger.

CHICAGO, Jan. 5.—Dr. E. F. Roller, the Seattle wrestler, is in no danger from blood poisoning, as was feared yesterday, and will be able to continue his tour with J. J. Jeffries.

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MORE NAMES FOR THE CIVIC SLATE

Electors Will Have Wide Choice
on Election Day—School
Trustees

Still more candidates for aldermanic honors have entered the race and will appear to the electors during the present campaign. The slate is rapidly growing and when the election day arrives the electors will have a wide choice offered them. In ward one another aspirant for honors has appeared in the person of William Birnie, Prince street, who will enter the race with Alderman Ross and W. M. Mitchell. In ward five J. Richardson has signified his intention of running and an effort is being made by friends of Capt. Gould to get him to run also. To date the roster is as follows:

Mayor.

W. E. Oliver, Alderman John A. Turner, Alderman Henderson and A. J. Morley.

Aldermen.

Ward I—Alderman W. M. Ross, W. M. Mitchell, William Birnie.
Ward II—Alderman Russ Hunter, Alderman H. F. Bishop, Capt. McIntosh, E. B. Jones.

Ward III—Alderman W. F. Fullerton, George Jones, E. F. Geiger, A. M. Bannerman.
Ward IV—Alderman Angus McKeown, Alderman P. A. Raymond, Dr. A. A. Hunter.

Ward V—A. G. Sarason, Herbert Cuthbert, W. Smith, J. Richardson.

In the school trustee contest four candidates must be elected. Trustees A. B. McNeill, Riddell, Christie and Mrs. Jenkins are retiring from the present board. The four trustees Mrs. Jenkins, McNeill and Riddell will run again. Trustee Christie has decided not to again be a candidate. In addition to the above P. W. Dempster and W. H. P. Sweeney have announced themselves as candidates.

LIT NOT LIKED BY LEARNED COUNSEL

Opera Comique Put on by
Workmen Disturbs Ap-
peal Court

The loud and illing strains of that pathetic little ballet entitled "My Sweet Rainbow," threatened to put the afternoon session of the new court of appeals out of business yesterday. The music began in mid-afternoon without one Robert Walker, both of whom were found guilty of murdering a kiltchman at the Indian rancherie near Salmon Arm. The two were sentenced to be hanged on the 25th of last month after a verdict of guilty was brought in at the assize. Mr. Henderson, at the request of Mr. Henderson, the defendant counsel, a reprieve until February 20 was granted and Judge Morrison reserved eight questions for the appeal court.

"Good heavens, what is it?" demanded a learned benchman of a learned judge in the upper corridor.

"Sounds like a minstrel troupe on a night of the learned judge in a judicial tone.

The selection from below continued. Sometimes it came pianissimo; then again it would be decidedly fortissimo with fine coloratura and nice shading in the spaghetissimo passages. There was, however, too much color in the upper register and the music was a little too obligate attracted much attention.

In fact this anvil obligate attracted so much attention that the janitor was sent with a long, large club, to apply the soft pedal and spike it down. After this noisy and noisy music was being supplied by the jovial workmen who were making the alterations in the walls of the second floor to provide a larger room for the court registrars. The anvil chorus was, in point of fact, the obligate supplied by the bricklayers and masons who were making the alterations in the walls of the second floor to provide a larger room for the court registrars. The anvil chorus was, in point of fact, the obligate supplied by the bricklayers and masons who were making the alterations in the walls of the second floor to provide a larger room for the court registrars.

But it interfered with the hearing of the appeal in Rex vs. Walker and the janitor issued an injunction which was obeyed.

HYDRAULICING IN CARIBOO

Big Project Afoot to Work
Camp at Twenty-Mile
Creek

An enterprise, having for its object the establishment of a hydraulic plant, the largest of its kind ever projected in British Columbia, is now in the working at Twenty Mile Creek in the Cariboo district, and recent arrivals from there give interesting details of the progress of the work.

The project afoot is the bringing of water from Swift River to Twenty Mile Creek, a distance of some twenty miles. The water is being conveyed by means of a dam, a ditch, and an inverted siphon. The work is being carried out by a syndicate of Philadelphians headed by Mr. Dufols, and before it is brought to completion over \$1,500,000 will have been spent. At present 200 men are engaged on the work. The hydraulic plant will be installed next year and operations will commence immediately afterwards.

There are numerous indications of an era of development in the Cariboo district. During last summer the navigability of 400 miles of new waterway running from Port George to Tete Jaune Cache and through Upper Socha and Stewart to Fraser and Stewart lakes has been proved. This opens up an immense agricultural and mining district, and places within a measure of attainability transportation as far north as Tacla Lake, thus making the mining camps of the famous Cariboo district accessible. The mining camps have been hitherto unreachable except by pack trails. These being

brought within the range of heavy transportation will undoubtedly mean their active development, as the Grand Trunk Pacific which touches at Port George, will certainly reach out for the trade of this portion of the country by means of steamer transportation. The steamers which could ply from Port George as far north as Tacla Lake would be sternwheelers of light draught and high power.

In various portions of the Cariboo district there has been a large influx of settlers during the summer days of the mining camps, and a feature of the outlook is that the development is of a substantial character.

CRIME STATISTICS SHOW DECREASE

Past Year Shows Falling Off in
Cases Compared With
Previous Year

In the face of a rapidly growing population, and with the added feature of a sixty-days' extra term, which, it was prophesied, would attract a great proportion of the coast criminals to this city, Victoria last year enjoyed the proud distinction of having had less crime than in the preceding year. During the year a total of 1828 cases of all kinds was handled by the police authorities, compared with 1963 in the previous year. This showing is a remarkable one, and speaks volumes for the efficient manner in which the police authorities look after the interests of the city, and regulated the criminally inclined. There was an absence of serious crime, the great majority of cases being minor offences.

Report for Year.

The report of the police work for the year has just been compiled by Jailer W. P. Allen, on whom falls the task of compiling the yearly figures. During the year a total of 244 convictions were secured, while 21 offenders were sent up for trial, 131 discharged, 23 sent to the asylum, and 709 in for safe-keeping, including those who appeared for shelter owing to their inability to secure lodgings for themselves.

The following table shows the disposition made of the various cases during the year, compared with the previous year:

	1909	1908
Convictions in police court	244	1963
Sent up for trial	21	131
Discharged	131	163
Sent to asylum	23	20
Safekeeping	709	716

During the year there were 818 offenders arrested, and 278 brought before the court on summons.

Offences Classified.

The various offenders classified according to the offence committed were: Assault, 10; assaulting police, 5; offences against the auto speed regulations, 23; begging, 1; burglary, 2; breaking and entering, 19; creating a disturbance, 6; carrying concealed weapons, 3; cruelty to animals, 1; infractions of the Canadian shipping act, 1; city by-laws, 136; drunks, 511; forgers, 5; fraud, 7; fighting, 25; fruit pests act, 1; frequenting bawdy house, 6; game law act, 4; gross indecency, 2; grossly bodily harm, 1; indecent exposure, 2; indecent assault, 1; infraction of Esquimalt water works act, 1; indecent exposure, 1; insulting language, 1; juvenile act, 1; keeper of bawdy house, 1; liquor license by-law, 1; liquor traffic regulation act, 8; murder, 1; malicious injury to property, 10; malicious mischief, 2; marine shipping act, 3; neglecting to provide for family, 4; obtaining money under false pretences, 17; obscene language, 4; obstructing sheriff, 3; perjury, 1; possession of stolen property, 1; provincial revenue tax act, 1; public morals act, 2; procuring, 1; stealing, 43; supplying information, 1; safe keeping, 709; threatening language, 2; unsound mind, 23; vagrancy, 54; total, 1967.

Indians were charged with the following offences: drunk, 51; possession of intoxicants, 8; perjury, 2; total 61. Chinese offenders were charged with: Assault, 2; burglary, 1; city by-laws, 2; fraud, 1; gaming, 17; supplying intoxicants to Indians, 5; stealing, 17; vagrancy, 8; provincial revenue tax act, 3; total, 70.

As compared with the previous year the record of offences according to nationality of the offenders was as follows:

	1909	1908
Whites	1967	1880
Indians	61	25
Chinese	70	25

Total, 2098, 1828, 1963.

During the year the patrol wagon made 1650 runs compared with 1218 runs during the preceding year.

Satisfactory Showing.

Discussing the figures for the past year, Chief Langley stated that in his opinion they showed in the most satisfactory manner the efficient work of the force, and at the same time the almost entire absence of any danger to the class which the city. Much had been said prior to the holding of the sixty days' race meet of the danger element coming here. It is a fact that many individuals arrived in the city, and they were soon given the "move on" order and during the progress of the meet the city was singularly free from crime. This condition has continued throughout the year.

It is also a remarkable fact that during 1909 the number of offences directly traced to liquor has decreased. Of drunks there were 514 apprehended, compared with 672 the previous year.

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NEW SYSTEM OF SUBSTITUTES

School Board Adopts New Plan
to Provide for Extra
Work

The principal of appointing teachers to the local public school staff who will officiate as substitutes as required and who can be added to the permanent staff if need be, was adopted by the school board which met in special session last evening to consider the matter.

At the last meeting of the board the subject was discussed but was left over. The scheme was introduced by Trustee McNeill, who pointed out that last year some \$675 was paid to substitutes and added to that amount which the board paid directly to teachers for whom substitutes were required, \$140, the total paid was \$815. But there was a deduction of \$60 for the year so that the net amount paid for substitutes was \$755. His idea was to appoint four assistant teachers at a salary of \$50 a month each. This would amount to \$560, and as there will be some money paid back by teachers who are absent for reasons other than sickness, say \$60, there would be left as the cost of such assistants \$500, a saving as compared with the present system, of about \$255 for the year.

Trustee McNeill believed to adopt his scheme would result in better substitutes being secured as they would be of the board's own selection and would be certified teachers. Of the eighteen substitutes last year but eight possessed certificates and none of the eight were available now. With the appointment of four teachers as suggested the board would never be stuck for substitutes and the four appointed would take a much greater interest in their work than would substitutes who are appointed only for a few days at a time. The idea would be to place the assistant teachers, one in the North Ward school, one in South Park and two at the Central school.

Extra Teachers Needed.

Trustee Christie believed three teachers would be sufficient while Superintendent E. B. Paul advocated the appointment of four. The class rooms in some of the schools are so crowded that extra help is an imperative necessity. Finally the principle was adopted by the board that the number of teachers to be appointed being left until some future date.

The request of Parfitt Bros., contractors on the new George Jay school, that they be paid the amount owing them under their contract and not be forced to wait until the other contractors have completed their work was referred to the architect and finance committee for report.

The application of Mrs. Stedham to be placed upon the permanent staff of the school was referred to the superintendent of education, Dr. Robertson. It is impossible to secure a properly certificated teacher, Mrs. Stedham cannot be allowed to teach on the permanent staff.

Trustee Christie, apropos of the question of the proper sweeping of school floors, advocated the adoption of a vacuum system. The matter was referred to the incoming board.

Four more benches for the manual training department will be secured, the finance committee being instructed to arrange for them.

A small number of other routine matters were disposed of. Those present were Trustees Mrs. Jenkins, Riddell, Christie, McNeill, McIntosh and the superintendent, E. B. Paul.

LETTERS TO EDITOR

The Theatre Site.
Sir—Why did the mayor and aldermen not take a manly course on the proposed site for a new theatre instead of passing the question yes or no, on to the voters? To the mayor and aldermen, an intrusted the affairs of the city, and if they had any spare land it can be put to better use than for a theatre. If churches are taxed, and large sums of our money expended in buying sites for schoolhouses, why should a free site be given for a theatre? A very nice lot or gardens can with little expense be made into a park in question which would be a pleasure to many. We have a theatre now, and five or six variety shows; they got nothing free, and why should a "comedy of errors" be presented for anything except the price of the tickets?

The voters know their own business as well as I do, and I feel certain the theatre by-law will be turned down.

W. J. MACDONALD.

"The Last of the Old Gladiators."
Sir—Temporary indisposition prevented me attending at the opening of the new appeal court yesterday, but I learn from your news columns that my old friend Mr. Pooley is described as "the last of the old gladiators" and "the senior member of the bar."

For the sake of historical accuracy allow me to mention one or two facts. I was admitted to practice in the English courts in 1863, and in the Supreme Court of British Columbia in 1870. In 1871 I was called to the bar of British Columbia when Mr. Pooley was Registrar of the Court, and I think several years before he was called. In 1887 he and I were each appointed one of Her Late Majesty's Counsel for Canada at the same time. I practised law in Victoria for 20 years; and though advocacy was not my specialty I appeared in some of the heaviest cases that came before the court during that period. Mr. Pooley's partner, the late Mr. A. E. B. Davis, was often my antagonist, and I found him a very formidable though honorable one.

EDWIN JOHNSON.
1208 Ormond St., Victoria, Jan. 5, 1910.

ATTENTION TO B. C.
Mr. Dennis Speaks of Large Number of Inquiries Received in Regard to This Province.

WINNIPEG, Jan. 5.—J. S. Dennis, assistant to Wm. Whyte, second vice-president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, is in the city. Mr. Dennis said that his visit to Winnipeg was for the purpose of consulting with Mr. Whyte regarding the operations in the West during the coming year. In the course

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of conversation Mr. Dennis referred to the great interest which is now being taken in the settlement of lands in British Columbia where the C. P. R. have large interests, which are administered at Calgary. He stated that during the last few months of the past year, the company received some 7,000 inquiries from all parts of the world, but largely from the United States, as to the land in the province of British Columbia, and that it was evident in the near future that the valleys in the southern portion of the province were going to be rapidly colonized and the fruit and mixed farming industry rapidly developed.

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Mining Department EDITED BY WILLIAM BLAKEMORE MINE MEMBER, CANADIAN MINING INSTITUTE, GREENWELL GOLD MEDALIST NORTH-AMERICAN LAND INSTITUTE, MINING ENGINEERS 1904.

Coal Mine Safeguards. Apropos of the recent disaster at the St. Paul Mine, Cherry, Ill., it has frequently occurred to the writer that someone is very lax in providing safeguards to protect the lives of miners in various districts. The provisions should reduce the fatalities to the minimum, if not wholly prevent the loss of life.

It has been the record of every disaster of this character that a large number of miners have been entombed, and while they were not killed outright from the force of explosion or fire, they died of starvation or the deadly black-damp. Had these survivors been furnished with a pure air supply, food and water, there is no question but what hundreds of lives might have been saved in the last few years.

At the Harwick Mine explosion in Pennsylvania, a large number of miners literally starved to death, and the same was true at Monongah, W. Va., where between 350 and 450 miners lost their lives. The reason for this was that they had nothing of the kind of provisions, food or water, from one to twelve men have been killed. In view of the inexpensive method which might be employed in safe-guarding the various mines, it would seem that our lawmakers should pass such measures as would compel mine operators to adopt such a precaution.

There was an article in one of the mining papers recently, where the editor advances the theory of installing telephones in mines, so that the entombed miners might get into communication with the outside world, and be able to give them their exact condition, the condition of the mine, etc. This would be some safeguard and guide for the rescuers, providing that the telephones were installed in such shape as to prevent the explosion from destroying the wires, but the ideal plan would be to sink bore-holes from the surface at stated intervals, running along the main entries and topping the main stations in the mine. These bore-holes should be cased with iron pipe from top to bottom, and be of sufficient size so that in case of accident they could be used for supplying various sections of the mine with pure air supply, food and water, and communication for the entombed miners.

It would hardly be possible for an explosion to destroy a bore-hole, as these explosions do not usually occur in the main entries of the mine. They are usually in some part of the mine which has been abandoned and with no outlet for the gas which accumulates. This is largely responsible for the explosions which take place. If bore-holes were sunk into the main workings, they would provide an outlet for the dangerous gases and black-damp.

Had this provision been installed in the Cherry Mine, as well as the others, and fresh air furnished to the miners, a large number of lives could have been saved. These disasters fall on a class of people who are dependent on their daily labor for the livelihood of their families, and the loss of all their lives under these circumstances produces deplorable conditions which cannot be imagined by the class of people in better circumstances financially.

Men who will advocate and push to a conclusion a measure of this kind will have done something which will cause their names to be remembered for all time. In mines where they could not get a pure air supply to the face of the entries which they are driving by means of an ordinary fan, they drilled holes ahead of the entry, and when these holes were tapped, they caused a great current of air to flow through the entries, which carried out the smoke, gas, etc., back up through the hoisting shafts.

In olden times, before the invention of common use of explosives, the method available for getting through the hardest kind of rock, such as granite, was the use of hammer and wedge, by means of fire. It is true that other methods were probably known, but there is reason to believe that the Egyptians possessed tools capable of boring holes into the hardest rocks, and commonly split off large blocks by wedging wedges into such holes, just as granite is often split by plug-and-wedge at the present day. It is also possible that the northern nations were able to break rocks by allowing water to freeze in similarly tightly-plugged holes, but each of these methods would be more applicable to quarrying than to more underground. The ancients generally seem to have avoided working

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session on behalf of the Corporation of the District of Oak Bay for an act conferring upon the council of the said corporation the following powers in addition to those conferred by the "Municipal Clauses Act," namely: (1.) Power to make, alter and repeal bylaws for the following purposes: (a) For charging a frontage rate against all property past which water mains run, and making such water rate a lien on the real property. (b) For borrowing money for purchasing, laying and constructing water mains, gas mains, electric lighting trunk or main wires and connections, subject to the provisions of Sections 63 and 64 of the "Municipal Clauses Act," but without the restrictions contained in Section 84 of the act. (c) For preventing the obstruction of streams, watercourses and drains and authorizing the municipal officers to enter on private lands for the purpose of clearing, cleaning, cutting, courses or drains and for laying drains or sewerage pipes in any streams or water courses; for entering into agreements with other municipalities for clearing any watercourse or stream, and building and maintaining sewers and drains. (d) For regulating the speed of motor cars, automobiles and other vehicles. (e) For licensing hacks, cabs, automobiles, trolleybuses and other vehicles, hired either within or without the municipality, passing over the roads and highways within the municipality. (f) For regulating the class of buildings to be erected in any particular section or district of the municipality. (g) For prohibiting, regulating and limiting the carrying of firearms within the municipality, or on any waters within one mile of the shore of any part of the municipality. (h) For granting a license to any person or corporation any reduction in the rate of taxation and for entering into any agreement for the assessment of any person or corporation's lands and property of lesser value than the surrounding lands. (2.) Power to purchase or otherwise acquire water and waterworks whosoever owned either within or without the municipality, and to enter into agreements with any person or corporation owning the same for acquiring waterworks or water supply, and for constructing and laying out such waterworks, or from any point where water is supplied to the municipality through any lands, roads, streets or highways, whether owned by the municipality or private, and full power to pass the necessary bylaws for such purposes. (3.) Power to enforce all bylaws on the shore adjoining the municipality. (4.) Power to ratify and confirm the agreement to be entered into between the Corporation of the City of Victoria, Gardner, and ratifying the bylaw to be submitted to the ratepayers embodying such bylaw, and giving the council power to ratify and confirm the said agreement and carry out and confirm all the rights, franchises and privileges in the said agreement mentioned, and to borrow money to repay the watermain mentioned in the said agreement without submitting such bylaw to the ratepayers. (5.) Power to carry on local improvements for all municipal work under a new system, with full power to pass the necessary local improvement bylaws, and to make the local improvements chargeable against the property benefited thereby without receiving the consent of the ratepayers. Dated this 20th day of November, 1909. RODWELL & LAWSON, Solicitors for The Corporation of the District of Oak Bay

SAANICH Municipal Elections PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the electors of the Municipality of Saanich, that I require the presence of said electors at the Municipal Office on Glenford Ave., at 2 o'clock (noon) for the purpose of electing persons to represent them in the Municipal Council as Reeve and Councillors.

The mode of nomination of candidates shall be as follows: The candidates shall be nominated in writing; the writing shall be subscribed by voters of the municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of this notice and 2 p. m. of the day of the nomination, and in the event of a poll being necessary, such poll will be opened on the 15th day of January at the following places: For the First Ward, at Cedar Hill School House; for the Second Ward, at Tolmie School House, Boleskin Road; for the Third Ward, at 176 Hall, Gordon Head; for the Fourth Ward, at Colquitz Hall, Carey Road; for the Fifth Ward, at Royal Oak School House; for the Sixth Ward, at the Temperance Hall, Saanich. And such polling places will be open from 9 o'clock a. m. to 5 p. m., of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

The qualification for Reeve shall be his being a male British subject and having been for the three months next preceding the day of his nomination the registered owner in the Land Registry Office, of land or real property situate within the municipality of the assessed value, on the last Municipal or Provincial Assessment Roll, of five hundred dollars or more over and above the registered judgment or charge, and being otherwise duly qualified as a voter.

The qualifications for a Councillor shall be his being a male British subject and having been for the three months next preceding the day of his nomination the registered owner in the Land Registry Office, of land or real property situate within the municipality of the assessed value, on the last Municipal or Provincial Assessment Roll, of two hundred and fifty dollars or more over and above any registered judgment or charge, and being otherwise duly qualified as a voter. Given under my hand at Royal Oak, British Columbia, this 30th day of December, 1909. J. R. CARMICHAEL, Returning Officer.

Saanich Municipality Election of School Trustees

Public Notice is hereby given to the electors of the Municipality of Saanich that I require the presence of said electors at the Municipal Office, on Glenford Ave., on Monday, the 10th day of January, 1910, at 12 o'clock (noon) to 2 p. m., for the purpose of electing three (3) persons as members of the Board of Trustees for Saanich Municipal School District. Any person, being a householder in the School District, and being a British subject of the full age of twenty-one years, and otherwise qualified by the Public Schools Act to vote at an election of School Trustees in the said School District, is eligible to be elected or to serve as School Trustee.

The mode of nomination of candidates shall be as follows: The candidates shall be nominated in writing; the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of this notice and 2 p. m. of the day of nomination, and in the event of a poll being necessary, such poll will be opened on the 15th day of January at the following places: For the First Ward, at Cedar Hill School House; for the Second Ward, at Tolmie School House, Boleskin Road; for the Third Ward, at 176 Hall, Gordon Head; for the Fourth Ward, at Colquitz Hall, Carey Road; for the Fifth Ward, at Royal Oak School House; for the Sixth Ward, at the Temperance Hall, Saanich, from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m., at which time and place each elector who is duly qualified to vote for Reeve, will be entitled to cast his vote for three (3) candidates for the members of the Board of School Trustees, but may only cast one vote for any such candidate, of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly. Given under my hand at Royal Oak, British Columbia, this 30th day of December, 1909. J. R. CARMICHAEL, Returning Officer.

MUNICIPAL NOTICE

Municipal Elections, 1910

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to the electors of the municipality of the city of Victoria, that I require the presence of the said electors in the court room at the City Hall, in the afore-said city on Monday, the 13th day of January, 1910, from 12 (noon) to 2 p.m., for the purpose of electing persons to represent them in the municipal council as Mayor or Aldermen.

The mode of nomination of candidates shall be as follows:

The candidates shall be nominated in writing, the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of the notice and 2 p. m. of the day of the nomination, and in the event of a poll being necessary such poll will be open on Thursday, the 13th day of January, 1910, from 9 o'clock a. m. to 7 o'clock p. m. in the manner following:

For the office of Mayor, in the court room of the City Hall aforesaid.

For the office of Alderman for Ward No. 1, in room No. 1417 Broad street.

For the office of Alderman for Ward No. 2, in room No. 1417 Broad street.

For the office of Alderman for Ward No. 3, in room No. 1417 Broad street.

For the office of Alderman for Ward No. 4, in room No. 1417 Broad street.

For the office of Alderman for Ward No. 5, in room No. 1417 Broad street.

Of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

The persons qualified to be nominated for and elected as the Mayor of the city of Victoria shall be such persons as are male British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years and have been qualified under any law, and have been for the six months next preceding the day of nomination the registered owner in the land registry office of land or real property in the city of Victoria of the assessed value on the last municipal assessment roll of one thousand dollars or more, over and above any registered judgment or charge, and who are otherwise duly qualified as municipal voters.

The persons qualified to be nominated for and elected as alderman of the city of Victoria shall be such persons as are male British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years, and are not disqualified under any law, and have been for the six months next preceding the day of nomination the registered owner in the land registry office of land or real property in the city of Victoria of the assessed value on the last municipal assessment roll of five hundred dollars, or more, over and above any registered judgment or charge, and who are otherwise duly qualified as municipal voters.

Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, this 31st day of December, 1909.

WM. W. NORTHCOOT,
Returning Officer.

MUNICIPAL NOTICE

Election of School Trustees

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Any person being a householder in the School District, and being a British subject of the full age of twenty-one years and otherwise qualified by the "Public Schools Act," to vote at an election of School Trustees in the said School District is eligible to be elected or to serve as School Trustee.

The mode of nomination of candidates shall be as follows:

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Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, this 31st day of December, 1909.

WM. W. NORTHCOOT,
Returning Officer.

NOTICE

The second annual meeting of the Pacific Tin Mining and Smelting Company, Limited, will be held at the Company's Office, 22 Board of Trade Building, Victoria, B.C., on Friday, January, the 21st, 1910, at 8 p.m., to receive reports, elect directors, and such other business as may be properly brought before the meeting.

By order of the board.

R. D. MACLACHLAN,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Municipal Notice

The \$184,000 School Loan Bylaw, 1910.

I hereby give notice that such of the electors of the municipality of the city of Victoria as are entitled to vote at a bylaw for raising money upon the credit of the municipality, are requested to attend at the polling place known as No. 1417 Broad street, in the said municipality, on Thursday, the 13th day of January, 1910, from 9 a. m. to 7 p. m., and to record their votes for or against the passage of the "184,000 School Loan Bylaw, 1910," a copy of which bylaw is published in the Victoria Daily Colonist, and copies whereof are posted up in the City Hall and in each ward and at the polling place.

And take notice that the bylaw will not be valid or of any effect unless the vote polled in favor thereof be at least three-fourths of the valid polls cast.

Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, this 31st day of December, 1909.

WM. W. NORTHCOOT,
Returning Officer.

SEALED TENDERS, superscribed "Tender for Sewerage Works, Prince Rupert," will be received by the Honorable the Minister of Public Works, to noon of Wednesday, the 13th day of January, 1910, for the construction and completion of a portion of the permanent sewerage at Prince Rupert, B. C.

Plans, specifications, contract and forms of tender may be seen on and after the 1st day of January, 1910, at the office of the undersigned, Public Works Department, Victoria, B. C., at the office of the Government Agent, New Westminster, B. C., and at the office of the Provincial Timber Inspector, Vancouver, B. C.

Each proposal must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque or certificate of deposit on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the Honorable the Minister of Public Works, in the sum of five hundred dollars, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering declines to enter into contract within the time specified, or if he fails to complete the work contracted for. The cheques or certificates of deposit of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them upon the execution of the contract.

A guarantee bond in the sum of fifteen hundred dollars will be required as security for the faithful performance and completion of the work.

Tenders will not be considered unless made out on the forms supplied, signed with the actual signature of the tenderer, and enclosed in the envelopes furnished.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

F. C. GAMBLE,
Public Works Department,
Victoria, B. C., 2nd December, 1909.

WATER NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made under Part V of the "Water Act, 1909," to obtain a license in the Sayward Division of Victoria, in the City of Victoria, to the

The name of the company in full: The Campbell River Power Company, Limited. The head office: Offices of Harward & Robertson, 114 West St., Victoria, B. C. The capital, as authorized, showing amount paid up, \$50,000 divided into 500 shares of \$100 each, amount paid up \$500.

(b) The name of the lake, stream or source (if unnamed the description of the same): Campbell River, Vancouver Island, B. C.

(c) The point of diversion is at a point 3 1/2 miles from mouth of Campbell River, immediately above Campbell River Falls.

(d) The quantity of water applied for (in cubic feet per second) 2900 cubic feet for 100,000 net horsepower.

(e) The character of the proposed works is a power plant for generation of electricity for industrial purposes. A dam or weir to be placed across river immediately above the Falls, and water to be conveyed to powerhouse immediately below falls.

(f) The premises on which the water is to be used (describe same): The point on the land along the bank of the Campbell River not more than 1/2 mile below the Campbell River Falls.

(g) If for irrigation describe the land intended to be irrigated, giving acreage. No land to be used for irrigation.

(h) If for power or mining purposes describe the place where the water is to be returned to some natural channel, and the difference in altitude between point of diversion and point of return. The water is to be returned to the Campbell River at a point within one mile below the Campbell River Falls.

(i) Area of crown land intended to be occupied by the proposed works, attached as aforesaid.

(j) This notice was posted on the seventeenth day of December, 1909, and application will be made to the Commissioner on the eighteenth day of January, 1910.

(k) Give the names and addresses of any riparian proprietors or licensees whose lands are likely to be affected by the proposed works, either above or below the outlet. The Crown, Mary King, M. King, Flora A. Burns, G. H. Burns, W. W. Grime, L. C. Macdonald and others in Victoria, B. C.

Attach copy of such parts of the company's memorandum of association as authorizes the proposed application and works.

Witness the hand and seal of the Association which authorizes the proposed application and works as follows:

(a) The construction of operation of works to be applied for, and the right of water under the "Water Act, 1909."

(b) To apply for and obtain under the provisions of the "Water Act, 1909," or purchase or otherwise acquire water rights or water licenses.

The Campbell River Power Company, Limited.

M. KING, Director,
P. O. Address: P. O. Box 724,
Victoria, B. C.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made at the next session of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia for an act transferring the lands and rights in the property known as the Great West Permanent Loan and Savings Company within British Columbia to the Great West Permanent Loan Company, being a company incorporated by an act of the Parliament of Canada, being Chapter 89 of the Statutes of 1909, also ratifying all acts done pursuant to section 41 of the said Act of 1909, and declaring that the said latter company to have been empowered since the 5th day of June, 1909, to exercise within the Province of British Columbia all the powers, rights and privileges provided for in the Act of Incorporation.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 12th day of November, A. D. 1909.

A. P. LUXTON,
Solicitors for the Applicants.

TENDERS

Are invited up to January 31st, 1910, for the purchase of 250 acres (more or less) of very choice, farming and fruit land, known as the "Sooke Property."

It is described on the map as Section 12 and part of Section 11, of Range 3 East, and Section 12 of Range 3 East of South Saanich. This property is crossed by the Victoria and Sidney railway and is about ten miles from Victoria.

torla. It is partly cleared and there is considerable valuable timber on the land. This property can easily be divided into 5 or 10 acre tracts, and is one of the most valuable estates in the Saanich peninsula.

And if any tender not necessarily accepted. Further particulars may be obtained by application to GEO. H. SLUGGETT,

Or to J. P. WALLS,
515 BASTION SQUARE.

A BYLAW

To Raise \$184,000 for School Purposes.

WHEREAS, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria are required to raise the sum of \$184,000 on the requirement of the Board of School Trustees for providing the site and erecting a new High School and for providing the complete construction of new schools on Chambers street and Moss street.

AND, WHEREAS, the whole ratable land and improvements or real property of the Corporation of the City of Victoria assessed for the year 1909 was \$23,143,590.

AND, WHEREAS, the total amount required to be raised annually by rate for paying the debt which will be created hereunder and the interest thereon, and for the payment of the said debt within twenty-five years, according to law, will be \$1,758,200.

AND, WHEREAS, it will require an annual rate of one-half of one mill on the dollar for paying the new debt and interest.

AND, WHEREAS, this bylaw may not be altered or repealed except with the consent of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

THEREFORE, the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts as follows:

1. That it shall be lawful for the Mayor of the Corporation of the City of Victoria to borrow upon the credit of the said Corporation by way of the debenture stock hereinafter mentioned, from any person, or persons, or body or bodies corporate, who may be willing to advance the same as a loan, a sum of money not exceeding in the whole the sum of \$184,000 in currency, or sterling money, at the rate of 4 1/2 per cent. discount on the principal sum, and to cause all such sums so raised or received to be paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the said Corporation for the debenture stock hereinafter mentioned.

2. It shall be lawful for the said Mayor to cause any number of debentures to be issued and sold, and to use for such sums as may be required, not exceeding, however, the sum of \$184,000, either in currency or sterling money, for the purpose of raising the said sum of money, and to cause the said debentures to be sealed with the seal of the said Corporation and signed by the Mayor thereof.

3. It shall be lawful for the said Mayor in his discretion to alternatively cause each of the said debentures to be made, executed and issued for an amount of \$100 sterling, and one, if necessary, for a less sum in sterling money to complete the said sum.

4. The said debentures shall bear date of the day after the final passing of this bylaw, and shall be made payable in the manner provided for in the Municipal Clauses Act.

5. The said debentures shall bear interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum from the date thereof, which interest shall be paid to the holder of such debenture at such place, either in the Dominion of Canada, Great Britain or the United States of America, as may be expressed in the debenture.

6. It shall be lawful for the Mayor of the said Corporation to dispose of the said debentures at a rate below par, and to authorize the Treasurer to pay out of the sums so raised by the sale of the said debentures, all expenses connected with the preparation and engraving or lithographing of the debentures and coupons, or any discount or commission, or other charges incidental to the sale of the said debentures.

7. If deemed advisable by the Mayor, there shall, in the said debentures, be reserved to the Corporation the right upon any future redemption of the said debentures to purchase the debentures of the city to substitute debentures of such consolidation, and to cause the said debentures generally, such consolidation debentures shall contain the like covenants, conditions and restrictions as are contained in the debentures, issued in pursuance of this bylaw, and in the debentures issued hereunder a clause conditioned for such substitution may be inserted.

8. For the purpose of raising annually the required sum for the payment of the interest on the said debentures during their currency, there shall be paid to the holder of such debenture the sum of \$1,758,200, for the purpose of paying the interest on the said debentures, and the sum of \$1,758,200, for the purpose of paying the interest on the said debentures, and the sum of \$1,758,200, for the purpose of paying the interest on the said debentures.

9. For the purpose of paying the interest on the said debentures, the following sums have heretofore been specially charged upon water rates or charges:

1906 under bylaw No. 191, \$17,000, repayable in 10 years.

1907 under bylaw No. 507, \$5,000, repayable in 10 years.

1908 under bylaw No. 524, \$5,000, repayable in 10 years.

1909 under bylaw No. 615, \$125,000, repayable in 56 years.

Total—\$155,000.

Interest on all above loans at 4 per cent. The total of annual interest and sinking fund being \$9,414 75.

AND, WHEREAS, for the purpose of waterworks system and the waters of the Corporation, with the guarantee of the Corporation.

AND, WHEREAS, the estimated value of the water works system and property and waters is \$1,179,157.61, and the estimated general revenue thereof for the year 1910 is \$149,000.00, and the sum of \$9,822.00 will be required to be set aside annually to repay the moneys borrowed hereunder by sinking fund within fifty years, and the sum of \$50,000.00 for annual interest;

AND, WHEREAS, the Corporation propose to guarantee the payment of the moneys borrowed under authority of this bylaw and the interest thereon;

AND, WHEREAS, in anticipation of the alternative issue of registered debenture stock hereunder, the Corporation of the City of Victoria has entered into an agreement with the Bank of British North America for the payment through the said bank in London, England, of the principal moneys and interest moneys as the same are borrowed hereunder by sinking fund by an official of the bank of the City of Victoria from time to time of the said registered debenture stock if issued hereunder and of the transfers of

street at its intersection with Douglas street continuation, to the northeast of such intersection, whereon to erect said opera house buildings;

AND, WHEREAS, it is intended by this bylaw to give to the Mayor of the City after the passing of a resolution approving by the council of the corporation, power to execute an agreement to make such grant and conveyance upon the conditions and stipulations hereinafter expressed;

AND, WHEREAS, the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts as follows:

1. It shall be lawful for the Mayor of the City of Victoria, after the passing of a resolution of the council approving the same forthwith to enter into and execute an agreement with the city to be affixed to an agreement between the corporation and the said company, when incorporated, or with any citizen appointed as trustee for the company and approved by the council, binding the company or trustee as aforesaid to the corporation, within six months thereafter from the erection on said lot three, and to complete the erection of the said opera house buildings, to cost not less than one hundred thousand dollars, and to grant and convey such lot to said company after the completion by the company of the said opera house buildings, and the agreement.

2. The council in this agreement shall require that the company shall give to the corporation such number of shares of common stock as represents the value of the land so that the corporation shall be part proprietors on an equal basis with the cash subscribers of the common stock.

3. After the execution of the said agreement the said Mayor shall execute to the said company and its successors a grant and conveyance of said lot three in fee simple (but without covenants for title) to be lawful for the Mayor of the Corporation of the City of Victoria to borrow upon the credit of the said Corporation by way of the debenture stock hereinafter mentioned, from any person, or persons, or body or bodies corporate, who may be willing to advance the same as a loan, a sum of money not exceeding in the whole the sum of \$184,000 in currency, or sterling money, at the rate of 4 1/2 per cent. discount on the principal sum, and to cause all such sums so raised or received to be paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the said Corporation for the debenture stock hereinafter mentioned.

4. It shall be lawful for the said Mayor to cause any number of debentures to be issued and sold, and to use for such sums as may be required, not exceeding, however, the sum of \$184,000, either in currency or sterling money, for the purpose of raising the said sum of money, and to cause the said debentures to be sealed with the seal of the said Corporation and signed by the Mayor thereof.

5. It shall be lawful for the said Mayor in his discretion to alternatively cause each of the said debentures to be made, executed and issued for an amount of \$100 sterling, and one, if necessary, for a less sum in sterling money to complete the said sum.

6. The said debentures shall bear date of the day after the final passing of this bylaw, and shall be made payable in the manner provided for in the Municipal Clauses Act.

7. The said debentures shall bear interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum from the date thereof, which interest shall be paid to the holder of such debenture at such place, either in the Dominion of Canada, Great Britain or the United States of America, as may be expressed in the debenture.

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the same, and it is desired by this bylaw to make regulations with regard to such register and the custody thereof and the making of entries therein and for the fees payable upon transfers of such stock, and to authorize the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts as follows:

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2. The said sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000.00) may be borrowed or raised by the creation and issuance of registered debenture stock to the amount of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000.00), or its equivalent in pounds sterling, to be called "Victoria, B. C. Water Works Debenture Stock."

3. The certificate of the registered debenture stock shall be in the form given in the schedule to this bylaw, or as altered, and may be and shall be in amount of pounds sterling, carrying interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum, payable half yearly on the first day of January and the first day of June in each year, at the Bank of British North America in the City of London, England, and the principal debentures shall be repaid by the expiration of fifty years from the day after the date of the final passing of this bylaw.

4. The registered debenture stock shall be issued in such amounts, not being less than one hundred pounds sterling, and the principal debentures shall be repaid by the expiration of fifty years from the day after the date of the final passing of this bylaw.

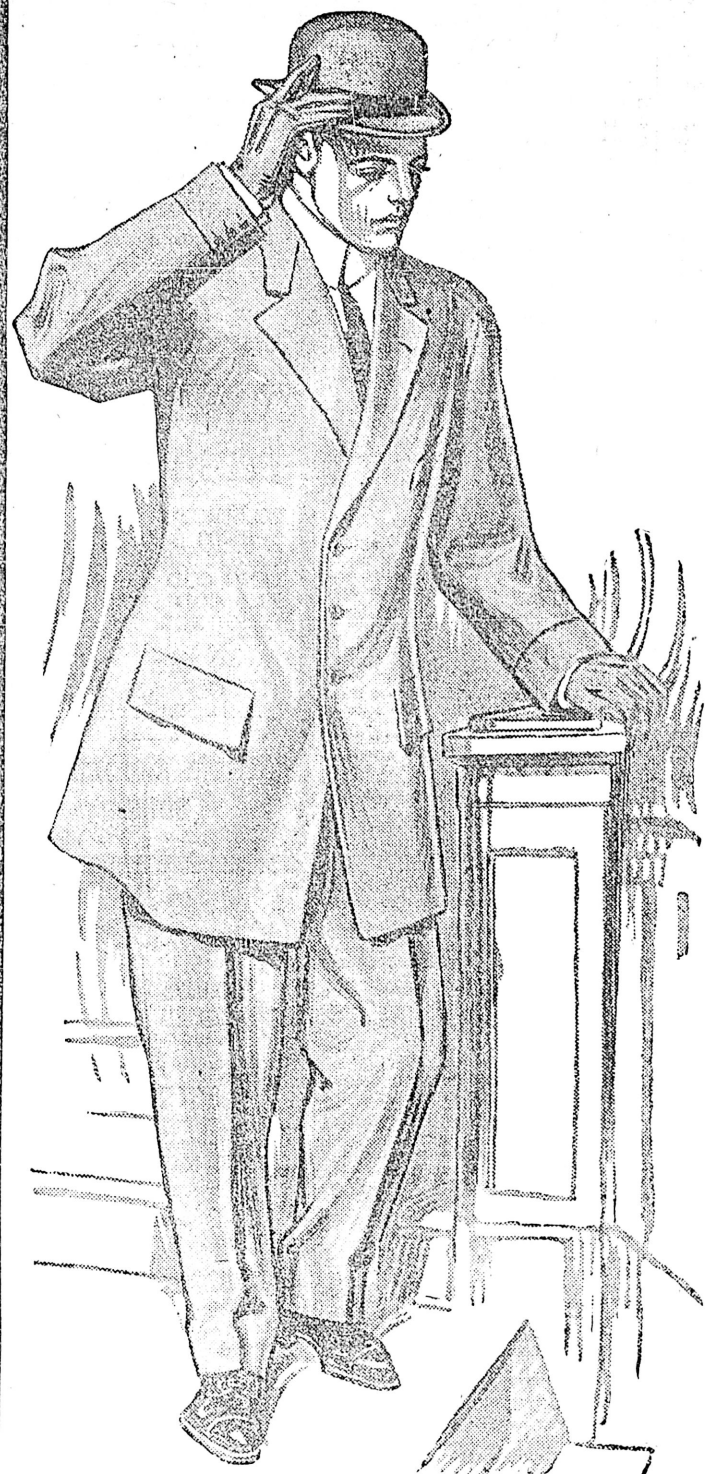
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6. A register shall be kept of the debenture stock created under the authority of this bylaw, by the Chief Cashier of the Bank of British North America in London, or the person for the time being holding that position, under authority of the Board of Directors in London of the said bank, and in such register there shall be inscribed the name and address of the holder of each debenture, and the provisions for the redemption of the debentures, and all incidental expenditures and English government stamp duties, and any discount, commission or other charges incidental to the sale of the said registered debenture stock.

7. The said bank shall be kept of the debenture stock created under the authority of this bylaw, by the Chief Cashier of the Bank of British North America in London, or the person for the time being holding that position, under authority of the Board of Directors in London of the said bank, and in such register there shall be inscribed the name and address of the holder of each debenture, and the provisions for the redemption of the debentures, and all incidental expenditures and English government stamp duties, and any discount, commission or other charges incidental to the sale of the said registered debenture stock.

8. There shall be endorsed on each certificate of registered debent

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Our January Sale Rolls Merrily Onward

Extra Special Bargains in Men's Suits, Friday

Reg. Val. \$10.00, **\$6.75** | Reg. Val. \$12.50 **\$8.75**
 Friday Sale - - - to \$15, Fri. Sale, **\$8.75**

To say that this sale has been highly successful since its opening day and that it has realized our highest expectations goes without saying. Every department included has been extremely busy, but, for Friday, we have planned to make the Men's Clothing Section the leading department, by placing on sale a most notable aggregation of Men's Suits at surprisingly low prices. No matter how fastidious or particular you may be, you will find these clothes will meet with every desired wish. They are in single and double-breasted effects, splendidly tailored, the materials are chiefly serges and worsteds, and usually sell as follows:

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Infants' Boots and Slippers at 65c

INFANTS' DONGOLA LACE BOOT, patent tip, spring heel. Sizes 3 to 7½. Regular value \$1.00 **65c**
 INFANTS' TAN KID LACE BOOT, spring heel. Sizes 3 to 7½. Regular value \$1.00 **65c**
 Also a lot of about 475 pairs Slippers of various kinds, in black, tan and red. Sizes 1 to 7½. Regular values up to \$1.50. **65c**

Child's Slippers at 85c

CHILD'S GLAZED KID OXFORD SHOES, in black, tan and red. Sizes 8 to 10½. Regular value \$1.25 **85c**
 CHILD'S STRAP SLIPPERS, in patent leather, kid, tan and red. Sizes 8 to 10½. Regular value \$1.25 **85c**

Misses' Boots at \$1.25

MISSSES' BOX CALF BLUCHER. Sizes 11 to 2. Regular value \$1.75 **\$1.25**
 MISSSES' GLAZED KID BLUCHER. Sizes 11 to 2. Regular value \$1.75 **\$1.25**

Boys' Boots, Reg. to \$1.50 for 90c

BOYS' BUFF LEATHER BOOTS. Sizes 11 to 5. Regular \$1.25 to \$1.50 **90c**
 BOYS' KID BLUCHER, stout soles. Sizes 11 to 13. Regular value \$1.25 **90c**

Boys' Boots, Reg. \$2.25, for \$1.50

BOYS' DONGOLA LACE BOOTS, stout sewn soles. Sizes 1 to 5. Regular value \$2.25 **\$1.50**
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 BOYS' BOX CALF BLUCHER, all sizes from 11 to 5. Regular value \$1.85 to **\$1.50**
 BOYS' STRONG BUFF LEATHER BOOTS, heavy soles. Sizes 1 to 5. Regular value \$1.75 **\$1.50**



Women's Boots and Oxfords, Reg. to \$5, for \$2.50

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 TAN KID BLUCHER, Goodyear welts. Regular value \$3.50 **\$2.50**
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Special Fri. Bargains in Ladies' Hosiery

LADIES' PLAIN CASHMERE HOSE, full fashioned, heavy quality pure cashmere **50c**
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 LADIES' 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 RIBBED CASHMERE HOSE, absolutely fast dye **50c**

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FINE ALL-SILK DRESDEN RIBBONS, 4½ in. and 6 in. wide, in light and dark grounds, with pretty pansy, rose, carnation and fancy pine patterns, useful for hair-ties, sashes, etc. Regular 35c and 75c. Friday **25c**
 10 PIECES ALL-SILK TAFFETA RIBBON, just the right thing for hair ties and millinery. It is good five inches wide. Regular 40c. Friday **25c**

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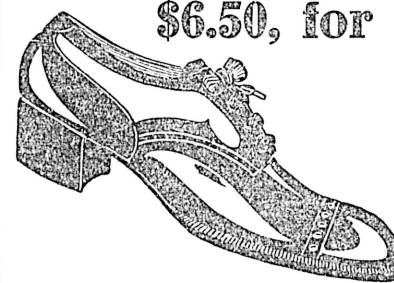
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HEAVY GEISHA SILK, self colors and checks, stripes, etc., suitable for dresses, blouses, or evening costumes, in plain light colors. Regular 75c. January Sale **50c**
 SELF-COLORED PONGEE SILKS, 26 in. and 34 in. wide. Blues, browns, greens, fawn, tan, red, rose, old rose, royal. Regular 75c and \$1.00. January Sale, per yard **50c**
 20-inch FANCY STRIPE LOUSINE SILK, a very strong texture, but dainty and delicate in colorings and effects, white with blue, white with grey, white with mauve, white with Nile. An excellent blouse material. Regular 75c. January Sale **50c**
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 BIG BARGAIN, comprising Pongee Silks, in stripes 27 in. wide, Geisha Silks in stripe and checks, 20 in. wide, White Silk Paillette. Regular 75c. January Sale, per yard **25c**
 JAPANESE TAFFETA SILK, 27 in. wide, spots and stripes, in brown and white, and white and black. Regular 65c. January Sale, per yard **25c**
 20-in. SELF-COLORED ORIENTAL SATINS, pink, blues, greens, cardinal, scarlet, rose, old rose, vieux rose, navy, brown, plum. Regular 90c. January Sale **50c**
 Very many of these colors have full dress lengths. Now is the time to buy.
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MEN'S GUN METAL CALF BLUCHER, double soles, Goodyear welts. Regular value \$6.50 **\$3.50**
 TAN OIL GRAIN BLUCHER, waterproof soles. American make. Regular value \$6.50 **\$3.50**
 TAN CHROME LEATHER BLUCHER, leather lined, broad last. Regular value \$6.00 **\$3.50**
 GUN METAL CALF BLUCHER, broad toe, Goodyear welts. Regular value \$5.50 **\$3.50**
 BOX CALF BLUCHER, leather lined, extra heavy soles. Regular value \$5.50 **\$3.50**
 TAN RUSSIA CALF BLUCHER, leather lined, double soles. Regular value \$5.50 **\$3.50**
 ENGLISH KIP BLUCHER, waterproof sole. A wonder for wear. Regular value \$5.50 **\$3.50**
 PATENT COLT BLUCHER, Goodyear welt, broad, medium or narrow toes. Regular value \$5.00 **\$3.50**
 BOX CALF BLUCHER, Goodyear welts, broad, medium or narrow toes. Regular value \$5.00 **\$3.50**
 CHROME CALF BLUCHER, waterproof, broad last. Regular value \$5.00 **\$3.50**
 GUN METAL BUTTON BOOT, smart swing last. American make. Regular value \$5.00 **\$3.50**
 PATENT COLT BUTTON BOOTS, smart style, Goodyear welts. Regular value \$5.00 **\$3.50**
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